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Preface.

THE conclusion of the third volume of *Inquisitiones Post Mortem* for the City of London completes the transcripts of these important documents for the whole of the Tudor Period. The *Indices Locorum* and *Nominum* supplied will greatly facilitate reference, and have been the labour of love of Mr. Herbert C. Welch and Mr. E. A. Fry.

A few Inquisitions that have been put into their proper places since the printing of them was commenced form an Appendix on pages 318-348.

The whole of the transcripts that have appeared in the pages of these volumes of Inquisitions was the work of the late Miss Emma Walford, whose death will be felt by all who knew her.

As is no doubt well known, the Public Record Office is producing very full Calendars of the Inquisitions throughout the Kingdom. Two different periods have been started, *viz.*, from the very earliest in Henry III.'s reign, and also from 1 Henry VII., and several volumes in both periods have appeared.

Though these Calendars, of course, are very much fuller than any Official Calendar previously published, they are in no sense full or complete abstracts like those issued under the auspices of the British Record Society. These latter give a very great deal more information as to persons, places and things than do the Official Calendars above mentioned.

What period the next Series of these Inquisitions this Society will take up has not yet been decided, but it has been suggested that either the Stuart Period for the City of London, or the Tudor Period for the County of Middlesex, might very well be taken in hand.

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- Page 28, heading of Inquisition on this page should be Richard Clareson.
- „ 29, line 6 from bottom, insert “ occupation of ” before Sibill Vincent.
- „ 35, „ 18, *for* (Elizens) *read* (Elizeus).
- „ 37, reference to Inquisition of Christopher Draper should read 23 Eliz.
- „ 39, line 11, *for* (free beach) *read* (free bench).
- „ 44, „ 29, Cuthbert should be in italics.
- „ 45, „ 28, Alice should be in italics.
- „ 64, „ 4 from bottom, *for* bakers *read* Bakers.
- „ 70, „ 4, *for* Shuxburgh *read* – *Shuxburgh*.
- „ 136, „ 17, *for* bridgeward *read* Bridgeward.
- „ 154, „ 18, *for* “ East Greenwich ” *read* “ East Greenwich ”.
- „ 203, „ 11, insert “ the ’ before “ others ”.
- „ 207, „ 17, *for* Hawyard *read* Hayward.
- „ 245, „ 22, Peter Osborne should be in italics.
- „ 251, reference to Inquisition of Cornelius Godfrey should be *Chan. Inq. p. m. Series*
2, Vol. 249, No. 73.
- „ 256, line 7, *for* James Cox *read* John Cox.
- „ 283, the Inquisition of John Poulett, Marquis of Winchester, is out of place, and
has already been printed in Vol. II., p. 212.

ABSTRACTS
OF THE
Inquisitiones Post Mortem

RELATING TO THE
CITY OF LONDON,
RETURNED INTO THE COURT OF CHANCERY.

INQUISITIONS OF THE REIGN OF
QUEEN ELIZABETH.

John Tatton, Citizen and Clothier.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 May, 19 Eliz. [1577], before *John Langley*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Tatton*, citizen and clothier of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *John Harrison*, *John Keblewhighte*, *Arthur Rainscrofte*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Armesby*, *John Jackson*, *Richard Smith*, *William Poye*, *John Crowche*, *William Layer*, *John Wilde*, *Thomas Eliotte*, *John Richardes* and *Edward Owen*, who say that

John Tatton was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage, now in the tenure of *Hugh Full*, and 1 shop also in the tenure of the said *Hugh*, situate in Birchenlane in the parish of St. Edmund in Lumbard-streate, London; 4 messuages lying together with shops and other buildings now or sometime parcel of the said messuages, now in the several tenures of *Richard Marriatte*, *John Godfrey*, *Robert Goodwin* and *Alice Crasten* situate in Birchen lane in the said parish; 2 messuages lying together at the corner of Birchenlane towards the highway called Cornhill in the parish of St. Michael upon Cornhill aforesaid with all shops, &c., now in the several tenures of *Dorothy Tatton*, widow, and *John Stanley*, and 2 messuages in the parish of St. Olave in Old Jewry, London, now in the tenure of *Edmund Syvedale*.

All the said premises in Birchenlane in the said parish of St. Edmund are held of the Queen, by fealty only, in free burgage, and not in chief,

and are worth per ann., clear, £30. The 2 messuages at the corner of Birchenlane towards Cornhill in the parish of St. Michael are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., over and above 6s. 8d. paid yearly to the Dean and Chapter of the College of Westminster, £9 13s. 4d. The messuages in the said parish of St. Olave are held of the Queen in free burgage, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

John Tatton died 7 March, 19 Eliz. [1577], *Thomas Tatton*, gent., is his brother and next heir, and was then aged 40 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 19 Eliz., part 2, No. 32.

Alice Leigh, Widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 11 July, 19 Eliz. [1577], before *John Langley*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Alice Leigh*, of London, widow, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *John Harrison*, *John Kebelwhite*, *Robert Langwith*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *Thomas Hackett*, *John Jackson*, *Richard Smyth*, *William Povie*, *John Crowche*, *William Layer*, *Thomas Elyot*, *John Rickardes*, *Anthony Barbor* and *John Stodderde*, who say that

Alice Leigh was seised in her demesne as of fee of 2 messuages situate in Chauncery Lane in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West, London, now in the several tenures of *Thomas Scyson*, salter, and *William Barryngton*; 2 messuages lying in the street of Fleetstreete in the said parish, now in the tenure of *Thomas Modisley* and *Thomas Cartewrighte*, and so seised, the said *Alice* made her will [*here given in English*] as follows:

I give to *Elizabeth* my daughter my messuage in Chauncery Lane in the parish of St. Dunstane in the West, in the suburbs of the City of London, now or late in the tenure of one *Thomas Barryngton*: to hold to her and the heirs of her body; for default, the same to remain to my daughters *Anne*, *Margaret* and *Alice*, and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, I give the same to my son *Edward Leigh* and his heirs for ever.

I give to *Anne* my said daughter the reversion of my messuage in Chauncery Lane, which I have granted to *Margery Robertes*, now the wife of *John Robertes*, by the name of *Margery Nycolson* for her life, she yielding yearly to me 1 peppercorn if demanded: which said messuage was late in the occupation of [—] *Russell*, and is now in that of *Thomas Sysonne*: to hold to her and the heirs of her body; for default, the same to remain to my said daughters *Elizabeth*, *Margaret* and *Alyce*

and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to my said son *Edward Leighe* and his heirs for ever.

I give to my said daughter *Margaret* my house in Fletestrete, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Modisley*: to hold to her and the heirs of her body; for default, the same to remain to my said daughters *Elizabeth*, *Anne* and *Alyce* and to the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to my said son *Edward Leighe* and his heirs for ever.

I give to *Alyce* my youngest daughter my house in Fletestrete, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Cartwright*: to hold to her and the heirs of her body; for default, the same to remain to my said daughters *Elizabeth*, *Anne* and *Margaret* and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to my said son *Edward* and his heirs for ever, as by the said will dated 20 November, 19 Eliz. [1576] more fully appears.

The said 2 messuages in Chancery Lane are held of the Queen in chief, by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and they are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The said 2 messuages in Fletestrete in the suburbs of London are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent, by fealty only, in free socage, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Alice Leighe died 13 January, 19 Eliz. [1577]; *Edward Leighe* is her only son and next heir, and on the 5th day of November last was aged 16 years. The wardship of the body and the marriage of the said *Edward* were in the hands of the said Queen long before the death of the said *Alice Leighe* and now are by reason of the death and tenure of the lands and tenements of a certain *Henry Leighe*, grandfather, of the said *Edward* deceased, which are held in chief by knight's service, and which were committed to the said *Alice* in her lifetime by Letters Patent dated 19 April, 12 Eliz. [1570].

Chan. Inq. p. m., 19 Eliz., part 2, No. 37.

William Spenser, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 10 December, 19 Eliz. [1576], before *Philip Skudamore*, esq., *Thomas Holcroft*, gent., and *William Necton*, gent., feodary, after the death of *William Spenser*, of London, gent., by the oath of *Humphrey Browne*, *Thomas Hunt*, *Richard Hewson*, *Oliver Skynner*, *Edmond Puckell*, *John Collett*, *Oliver Swayne*, *William Lewson*, *Thomas Wiggins*, *George Cloughe*, *William Barker*, *Richard Bell*, *Nicholas Atkyns*, *Thomas Russell*, *Thomas Ellyot* and *William Layer*, who say that

William Spenser was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage

and 1 garden thereto adjoining in the parish of St. Thomas the Apostle within the City of London; and so seised, by Charter dated 29 November, 1 and 2 Philip and Mary [1554] granted to *George Ogglander*, gent., and *Thomas Spenser*, gent., the said messuage and garden then in the tenure of *George Spenser* another of the brothers of the said *William*: to hold to them and their heirs for ever, to the use of the said *William Spenser* and *Mary* then his wife for their lives; and after their decease, to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *William*; for default, to the use of the said *Thomas Spenser* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of the said *George Spenser* and the heirs of his body; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *William* for ever. The said messuage and garden are held of the Queen in chief, by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and by the payment of 3s. 8d. by the year in the name of tithe, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

William Spenser died 18 May, 1 Eliz. [1557]; *William Spenser*, junior, is his son and next heir, and was then aged 1 day.

The said *Mary* still survives at Sibston in co. Huntingdon, and she took for 8 years and *Stephen Cardinall*, deceased, took for 9 years the profits of the said premises after the death of the said *William Spenser*.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 19 Eliz., part 2, No. 42.

Stephen Woodroffe, Merchant.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 15 January, 19 Eliz. [1577], before *Thomas Fanshawe*, esq., *Peter Osbourne*, esq., and *William Necton*, gent., feodary, after the death of *Stephen Woodroffe*, merchant, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *John Keblewhite*, *Arthur Rainescrofte*, *John Fennyns*, *Anthony Garrett*, *Thomas Bromeley*, *Thomas Hackett*, *William Ermesbie*, *John Jackson*, *George Gynne*, *John Crouche*, *William Povie*, *John Wylde*, *Griffyn Jones*, *John Stoddard* and *Thomas Elyott*, who say that

Stephen Woodroffe was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage called Rengedhall, in which *Thomas Mildmaie*, esq., deceased, dwelt, situate in the parish of St. Thomas the Apostle in the ward of St. Martin in the Vintry, London; 3 small tenements adjoining the said capital house, in which *John Alleyn*, *Michael Hodson* and *Rose Spurrier* dwelt; and 1 garden and stable lying in the parish of Holy Trinity in the said ward, and adjoining, at the back, the said capital house: all which said premises the said *Stephen Woodroffe* purchased to him and his heirs

for ever of *James Croftes*, Knight, as by his deed enrolled in the Court of Chancery, dated 16 February, 14 Eliz. [1572], more fully appears.

So seised, the said *Stephen Woodroffe* made his will 20 April, 1576, whereby he bequeathed as follows [*here given in English*]: I give to my wife *Brydgett Woodroffe* for her life my dwelling house at St. Albones, with my house purchased of *John Compborte*, and my house called the Flower Delewce; and afterwards the same to remain to my son *Christopher Woodroffe* and his heirs for ever. I give also to my said son my house at St. Thomas the Apostles and my land lying in Kentish Town.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £4 6s. 8d.

Stephen Woodroffe died 30 November last past; the said *Christopher Woodroffe* is his son and next heir, and on the 8th day of March last was aged 8 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 19 Eliz., part 2, No. 43.

John Nowell, Esq., Lunatic.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 5 July, 20 Eliz. [1578], before *William Tooke*, esq., Auditor of the Court of Wards and Liveries, *Ralph Bosseville*, esq., and *William Necton*, gent., feodary, commissioners appointed to enquire into the lunacy of *John Nowell*, esq., by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Thomas Russell*, *Anthony Barbor*, *William Layer*, *Richard Smythe*, *Thomas Elliott*, *William Povey*, *John Wylde*, *Arthur Rainescrofte*, *John Harrison*, *John Keblewhite*, *William Evaunce*, *John Ricardes*, *Edward Owen*, *William Curtes* and *John Ireland*, who say that

John Nowell is a lunatic and does not enjoy lucid intervals, so that he is incapable of governing either himself or his lands, and became a lunatic a year ago through the visitation of God.

The said *John Nowell* had no lands in the City of London, but long before his said lunacy he was seised of certain lands and tenements lying in Bosseworth and elsewhere in co. Leicester, of the clear yearly value of £5, lately purchased by him of — *Gent.*, esq., but of whom they are held the jurors do not know; divers messuages, lands and tenements in divers towns in the said county which he holds in right of *Anne*, now his wife, daughter and next heir of *John Fowler*, esq., deceased, viz., 1 capital messuage in Wellesborowe in the said county;

the 3rd part of 5 closes of land and pasture, one whereof is called Horsepool lees, another Ringes hill yate Closse, the third the close towards Sybbesd . . . feelde, the 4th the close next Shenton, and the 5th the new Closse lying between the Hoofielde and the Ringes hill yate Closse containing 200 acres of pasture in Wellesborowe, and the same are held of *Ralph Purefey*, by knight's service as of his manor of Wellesborowe, and are worth per ann., clear, £5; also 2 other parts of the said 5 closes; 10 acres of meadow lying in Wellesborowe which were late the inheritance of *Thomas Purefaye*, esq., and are held of the Queen as of her honor of Hincklaye, parcel of her Duchy of Lancaster, by knight's service, viz., by the 4th part of 1 whole knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £10; 5 messuages, 6 tofts, 8 virgates of land in Northkilwarthe, whereof 3 messuages, 6 tofts and 5 virgates of land are held of — *Doultene*y, esq., by the service of 1 grain of pepper by the year, and the 2 messuages and 3 virgates remaining are held of the Queen, but by what service the jurors do not know, and are worth per ann., clear, £3 1s. 4d.; 2 messuages, 2 tofts, and 3 virgates of land in Petlyng Magna in the said county which are held of *Clement Villers*, gent., but by what service is not known, and are worth per ann., clear, 12s.; 3 messuages, 2 closes and 4 virgates of land in Willoughbie Waterles in the said county which are held of *John Marston*, but by what service is not known, and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d.; 3 messuages, and 4 virgates of land in Cosebye which are held of the Queen as of her manor of Huntingdon, but by what service is not known, and are worth per ann., clear, 48s. 8d.; 5 messuages and 3 virgates of land in Walton in the said county, which are held of *Henry Over*; but by what service is not known, and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d.; 1 messuage, 1 toft and 2 virgates of land in Drye Stooke in the said county, but of whom they are held the jurors do not know, and are worth per ann., clear, 13s. 4d.; 1 messuage, 3 tofts and 1½ virgates of land in Cotton next Market Bosseworthe in the said county which are held of *Henry* late Marquis of Dorset by knight's service as of his manor of Bosseworthe, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s.; 3 messuages, 2 tofts and 2 virgates of land in Thedingwoorthe in the said county, which are held of — *Feylding*, esq., but by what service is not known, and are worth per ann., clear, 18s.

The said *John Nowell* was also possessed of £20 remaining in the hands of *Francis Hastings*, esq., and £60 in the hands of *Andrew Nowell*, esq., brother of the said *John*, and £80 in the hands of *John Flower*, esq., also of divers goods and chattles in his house in Wellesborowe under the custody and authority of the said *Anne* his wife, but how much the same are worth the jurors do not know.

William Nowell is the son and next heir of the said *John Nowell*, and is now aged 13 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 20 Eliz., part 2, No. 13.

Henry Gaynsford, Citizen and Goldsmith.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 15 April, 20 Eliz. [1578], before *Thomas Ramsey*, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of a writ de melioꝝ inquirendꝝ, after the death of *Henry Gaynsford*, citizen and goldsmith of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Thomas Russell*, *George Gynne*, *William Layer*, *William Evans*, *Richard Smith*, *John Ricardes*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Curtys*, *John Jackson*, *William Poye*, *John Crowch*, *John Welde*, *John Stodderd*, *Edward Owen*, *Arthur Rainscroft*, *John Harrison*, *John Keblewhite*, *John Ireland* and *Edward Osborne*, who say that

Henry Gaynsford was seised in his demesne as of fee of the 4th part of 11 messuages situate in *Lumberdstrete* in the parish of *St. Mary Wolnoth* in the Ward of *Langborne*, London, now or late in the tenure of *Hugh Keale*, *Fulk Edwardes*, *Hugh Newbole*, *Ralph Smith*, *Francis Kidd*, *John Wilkyns*, *William Jones*, *George Newbole*, *James Allen*, *William Ingram* and *Richard Sharpe*; and of all that capital messuage called *Scrope place* and 4 messuages thereto adjoining and belonging, with all the buildings, &c., to the said capital messuage belonging, situate in the parish of *St. Andrew* in *Holborn* in the ward of *Faringdon Without* in the suburbs of London, now in the tenure of *William Guye*, *Anne Cottingham* and *Henry Nayler*.

The said messuages in *Lumberdstrete* are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £7. The said messuage called *Scropes place* and other the premises in the said parish of *St. Andrew* in *Holborn* are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Henry Gainsford died on the last day of November, 17 Eliz. [1574]; *Thomas Gaynsford* is his son and next heir, and was aged 11 years on the last day of December last past.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 20 Eliz., part 2, No. 16.

[*Chanc. Inq. p. m., 20 Eliz., part 2, No. 17, is of similar tenor, but it was cancelled because of the omission of the names of William Necton and William Dalbye. There are other slight clerical variations.*]

Thomas Castell, Citizen and Smith.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 October, 20 Eliz. [1578], before *William Tooke*, esq., Auditor General of the Court of Wards and Liveries, and *William Necton*, gent., Feodary, commissioners by virtue of a writ to them and to *William Gerrard*, esq., and *William Dalbye*, gent., directed, after the death of *Thomas Castell*, citizen and smith of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *John Wytton*, *Thomas Russell*, *Robert Dickenson*, *Anthony Barbor*, *George Gynne*, *William Layer*, *Thomas Eliott*, *Richard Smyth*, *William Poyve*, *Arthur Rainescrofte*, *John Harrison*, *John Keblewhite*, *John Ricardes*, *John Stodderd*, *Edward Owen*, *John Ireland*, *Thomas Hackett* and *Robert Langwith*, who say that

Thomas Castell was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and 1 shop called the Smythes Forge, otherwise the Ferrors house situate at the west end of the lane called Longelane within the parish of St. Sepulchre in the suburbs of the City of London, late in the tenure of the said *Thomas Castell* and now or late in that of *Thomas Walbutte* and *William Mannsfelde*; 1 large house, capital messuage or inn, lately called the Swanne, now divided into divers several tenements, lying in the said lane and parish, formerly in the tenure of *Henry Lord Morley*, deceased, and now or late in the several tenures of *Paul Withipoole*, esq., *Oliver Chester*, gent., — *Germyn*, *Thomas Fletewoode*, *John Tempest*, *John Stapleford* and *Richard Pymperdell*; 13 messuages lying in the said lane and parish now or late in the several tenures of the said *William Mannsfelde*, *Richard Dale*, *William Bradstrete*, *Ralph Burnett*, *James Wanflett*, *Margaret Castell*, relict of the said *Thomas Castell*, *William Pickeringe*, *Leonard Smyth*, *Robert Whalley*, *David Nevell*, *William Herne* and *Ralph Arthur*.

All the said premises are held of the Queen, in chief, by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and are worth per ann., clear, £40.

Thomas Castell died 2 April, 11 Eliz. [1569], in the prison of the King's Bench in the parish of St. George in Southwerke in co. Surrey; *Thomas Castell*, son of *Francis*, son of the said *Thomas* is his kinsman and next heir, and on the 22nd of October last past was aged 20 years.

Thomas Rivett, esq., *John Wood* of London, brewer, and *William Fulwoode* of London, merchant tailor, immediately after the death of the said *Thomas Castell* entered the said premises and took the profits thereof up to the taking of this inquisition.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 20 Eliz., part 2, No. 18.

William Peterson, Citizen and Haberdasher.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 March, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pype*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Peterson*, citizen and haberdasher of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *John Harrison*, *John Keblewhite*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Poye*, *Anthony Barbor*, *Thomas Eliott*, *Griffin Jones*, *Henry Shawe*, *John Ireland*, *John Ricardes*, *Roger Hoell*, *William Curteis* and *Arthur Raynescrofte*, who say that

William Peterson was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called the Bell and the Cheker, formerly in the tenure of *Thomas Norton*, situate in the parish of St. Dionis Backchurch, London, and all the houses, shops, &c., thereto appertaining.

So seised, the said *William* made his will 15 July, 1578, as follows [here given in English]:

I give to *Daniel* my second son my house called the Bell and Cheker, in one part of which said house now dwell *Gerson Hilles*, and in the other my said son *Daniel*: to hold to him and his heirs for ever: which said house lies in the parish of St. Dionis Backechurch in Fanchurch Street in London.

The said messuage is held of the Queen by fealty only, in free burgage, and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear £10.

William Peterson died 3 October last past; *Robert Peterson* is his son and next heir and was then aged 27 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 21 Eliz., part 2, No. 22.

Richard Pelter, Citizen and Brewer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 29 July, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pype*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Richard Pelter*, citizen and brewer of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *John Keblewhyte*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Poye*, *William Layer*, *William Typper*, *John Jackson*, *William Curtys*, *John Stoddard*, *Thomas Ellyot*, *John Rickardes*, *Richard Smyth* and *John Ireland*, who say that

Richard Pelter was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and tenement called the Garland in the parish of St. Albans in Woodstrete, London, lately purchased to him and his heirs of *Thomas Godwyn*, gent., 2 messuages situate in the parish of St. John Zacharie, London,

now or late in the several tenures of *William Holmes* and *James Collyns*, purchased to him and his heirs of *Anthony Stringar* and *John Handbye*, gent.; 1 other messuage formerly in the tenure of *William Shelton*, gent., and now in that of *George Fynche*, situate in Busshopsgate strete in the parish of the Blessed Mary Ax in the city of London, which he purchased to him and his heirs of *Christopher Campion* and *John Rollesleye*; 1 marsh and land called the Haremarshe lying in the parish of Stubbenheithe in co. Middlesex, viz., upon the land of the Bishop of London, on the north and west, and upon the land of *Christopher Campyon*, citizen and mercer of London on the south, and upon the land of the heirs of *Cookes* now or late in the tenure of *Robert Nyscham* on the east: which said marsh and land the said *Richard Pelter* purchased to him and his heirs of *John Pope*, late of London, gent.; 1 messuage or inn called the three Cupps, with 5 small tenements or cottages thereto adjoining, situate in the parish of St. Andrew in Holborn, in the suburbs of London; and 1 close of land or pasture called Drakefield, situate in the parish of St. Pancras in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of *John Cooke*, citizen and pieman (pastelaŕ) of London, which he purchased to him and his heirs of *John Clerk*.

The said messuage and tenement called the Garland in the parish of St. Alban in Woodstrete are held of the Queen, in free socage, and not in chief, by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £13. The said 2 messuages in the parish of St. John Zacharie, the said messuage in Busshopsgate strete in the parish of the Blessed Mary Axe and the said marsh in Stubbenheithe are held of the Queen in free socage, by fealty only, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £22. The messuage called the three Cuppes and the 5 small tenements adjoining, in the parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, and the close of pasture called Drakefield in the parish of St. Pancras are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage, by fealty only, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £22.

Richard Pelter died 23rd November last past; *Blanch Richardes* now the wife of *Morgan Richardes* of London, skinner, is his only daughter and next heir and is now aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 21 Eliz., part 2, No. 25.

John Cheyne, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 4 July, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pipe*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Cheyne*, esq., by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dicken-*

son, *John Harrison*, *John Keblewhite*, *Arthur Ravenscrofte*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Poye*, *John Crowche*, *Anthony Barbor*, *Henry Shawe*, *William Typper*, *John Ireland*, *Edward Owen*, *Thomas Eliott*, *John Ricardes* and *Griffin Jones*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *John Cheyne* one *Francis Slade*, esq., was seised in his demesne as of fee of 3 messuages and 2 shops or le "Sheddes" at Fletebridge in the parish of St. Bridgitte the Virgin, commonly called the George, the White Harte and the Roose Taverne; a yearly rent of 13s. 4d., called the Chief Rente of Powles issuing out of divers tenements lying in the street of Bucklersburie in the parish of St. Benedict Sherehogge: all which said premises descended to the said *Francis Slade* as son and heir of *Thomas Slade*, son and heir of *Richard Slade* of Maxstocke in co. Warwick, esq., and *Margaret* his wife, sister and heir of *Thomas Luyte*, gent., as by divers charters more fully appears. And so being thereof seised, the said *Francis Slade* died 11 March, 27 Hen. 8 [1536]; after whose death the said premises descended to *Alice*, *Margaret*, *Elizabeth*, *Brigitte* and *Wiburga Slade* his daughters and next heirs. Afterwards the said *Margaret* married the said *John Cheyne* of Shardlos in the parish of Agmondesham in co. Bucks, esq., the said *Alice* married *John Pytcher*, esq., the said *Elizabeth* married *Humfrey Cholmeley*, esq., and the said *Brigitt* married *George Cockett*, esq., and the said *John Cheyne* and *Margaret*, *John Pytcher* and *Alice*, *Humfrey Cholmeley* and *Elizabeth* and *George Cockett* and *Brigitt* and the said *Wiburga Slade* being so seised as well of the said premises as of divers other manors, lands, &c., in cos. Warwick, Suffolk, Cambridge, Middlesex and London, a division was made between them by mutual agreement and consent on the 11th day of February, 36 Hen. 8 [1545] of all the said premises, whereby a moiety of the said messuages called the Rose Tavern and the George and of the said rent of 13s. 4d. was assigned to the said *John Cheyne* and *Margaret* his wife, and to the heirs of the said *Margaret* for ever in severalty for her part of all the said premises, and the other moiety of the said Rose Tavern was assigned inter alia to the said *Wiburga Slade* and her heirs, to be held in severalty for her pourparty, and so being thereof seised the said *Wiburga* married *Rowland Wymarke*, gent.; and the said *Rowland* and *Wiburga*, so seised, by deed enrolled in the Court of Hustings, London, dated 15 June, 7 Eliz. [1565], assured to the said *John Cheyne* and his heirs for ever their moiety of the said Roose Tavern and all the shops, cellars, &c., thereto belonging now or late in the tenure of *William Maynard*, citizen and mercer of London, situate at Fletebridge in the said parish of St. Brigitte; also the moiety of the tenement situate on the west side of the said messuage called the Rose Tavern in the said parish, now or late in the

tenure of the said *William Maynard*, which the said *John Cheyne* lately had to him and his heirs for ever of the gift of the said *Rowland* and *Wiburga*, as by indenture made between the said *Rowland* and *Wiburga* of the one part and the said *John Cheyne* of the other part more fully appears.

The said messuage called the White Harte and the 2 shops called the Shedd are parcel of the said messuage called the Rose Tavern.

The said *Margaret Cheyne* late the wife of the said *John Cheyne* died seised as abovesaid on the 1st day of November in the last year of Philip and Mary [1558]; the said *John Cheyne* survived her and took the profits of the said premises up to his death.

The said *John* and *Margaret* had issue *William Cheyne* who was aged 25 years and more at his father's death. The said *John Cheyne* made his will 11 October, 20 Eliz. [1578], whereby he bequeathed inter alia the said moiety purchased of the said *Rowland Wimark* and *Wiburga* to the said *William Cheyne*, gent., his son and the heirs of his body, with remainder thereof as by the said will more fully appears.

All the said premises are held in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £18.

John Cheyne died 23 October, 20 Eliz. [1578]; *Henry Cheyne* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 40 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 21 Eliz., part 2, No. 26.

Richard Reinoldes, Citizen and Clothier.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 29 May, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pipe*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Richard Reinoldes*, citizen and clothier, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *Arthur Ravenscrofte*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Poye*, *William Layer*, *Anthony Barbor*, *John Weilde*, *Richard Cox*, *John Ireland*, *Edward Owen*, *John Stodderd*, *Thomas Eliot* and *Griffin Jones*, who say that

Richard Reinoldes was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage in the parish of St. Clement next Estcheape, London, now or late in the tenure of the said *Richard Reinoldes* and formerly in the farm of a certain *William Hewett*; 2 other messuages, now divided into 3 tenements, in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene in the Old Fishmarket (*vetere Piscaria*) London, now or late in the tenures of *Thomas Hanley*, *John Roo* and *Michael Thombe*.

The messuage in the parish of St. Clement next Estcheap is held

of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £4. The said 2 messuages in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d.

Richard Reinoldes died 4 Feb., 21 Eliz. [1579]; *Richard Reinoldes* is his son and next heir and was then aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 21 Eliz., part 2, No. 28.

Richard Roper.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 May, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pipe*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Richard Roper*, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *John Keblewhite*, *Arthur Ravenscroft*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Jackson*, *John Crowche*, *Thomas Elyott*, *Griffin Jones*, *John Ireland*, *William Typper*, *Richard Cox*, *Edward Owen*, *William Pouye*, *John Stodderd* and *Henry Shawe*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Richard Roper*, a certain *John Gresham*, Knight, was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that messuage or bakehouse with cellars, sollars, &c., situate in Redcrosstreate in the parish of St. Giles without Crepulgate, London, then or late in the tenure of *John Collyns*, deceased; a parcel of a garden formerly in the tenure of *Hamond Westbrook*, sometime belonging to the said messuage; all that tenement with a garden adjoining on the north part of the said bakehouse, with a well (*fonte*) in the said garden, formerly in the tenure of *Edward Orthopp*; 2 other tenements formerly in the several tenures of *John Rysley* and *John Vincent* lying in Redcrosstreate aforesaid: all which said premises the said *John Gresham*, with others, purchased to him and his heirs of the gift and grant of King Edw. 6, as by Letters Patent dated at Leighes 12 April in the 4th year of his reign [1550] more fully appears.

So seised, the said *John Gresham* together with *Katherine* his wife by charter dated 7 July, 2 Mary [1554] granted to the said *Richard Roper* and *Heline* his wife and to the heirs of the said *Richard* for ever all the said premises.

Before the death of the said *Richard Roper* a certain *Richard Wotton*, citizen and Clothworker of London was seised in his demesne as of fee of divers messuages with 3 small gardens adjoining or belonging situate in Goldinglane on the east side of the street there in the said parish of St. Giles without Crepulgate, London, then or late in the tenure of the

said *Richard Roper*; and so seised, the said *Richard Wotton* by deed dated 1 April, 3 Eliz. [1561], made between himself of the one part and the said *Richard Roper* and *Heline* his wife of the other part, sold all the said premises in Goldinglane and the reversion thereof to the said *Richard Roper* and *Heline* his wife and the heirs of the said *Richard* for ever.

So seised, the said *Richard Roper* made his will 8 September, 20 Eliz. [1578] as follows [*here given in English*]: I will that *Hellen* my wife shall have all my lands in Redcrosstreate and Goldinglane or elsewhere in England for her life; and after her decease my lands in Redcrosstreate to remain to *Edward Thickens* one of my journeymen and to the heirs of his body for ever; for default, the remainder thereof to *Raphe Thickens* brother of the said *Edward* and to the heirs of his body for ever; and for default to the right heirs of the said *Raphe*. I will that the remainder of 1 tenement and garden now in the tenure of — *Tyndall* in Goldinglane and 1 chamber over another tenement in the tenure of — *Brockett* after my wife's decease be to *Elizabeth Androwes* sister of my said wife for life; the remainder thereof after the deaths of the said *Helen* and *Elizabeth* together with all my lands, &c., in Goldinglane aforesaid in a certain alley there called George Alley on the north side thereof, with the moiety of my great garden ground there now in the occupation of the Frenchman and myself to be to *Miles Forest* son of the said *Elizabeth* and his heirs for ever.

I will that all the rest of my lands, &c., on the south side of the said Alley with the other moiety of the said great garden on the same side and 1 little garden thereto adjoining, after my wife's decease remain to *Raphe Roper* my eldest brother's son and his heirs for ever.

The premises in Redcross street are held of the Queen, by fealty only, in free burgage, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The premises in Goldinglane are held of the Prebendary of the manor or lordship of Fynnesburye in co. Middlesex, by fealty and the yearly rent of 2s. 2d. only, and suit at the court of the said manor, and are worth per ann., clear, 66s. 8d.

Richard Roper died 28 September, 20 Eliz. [1578]; *Ralph Roper* is his kinsman and next heir, viz., son and heir of *John Roper* elder brother of the said *Richard Roper* and was then aged 27 years and more.

The said *Helen* still survives.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 21 Eliz., part 2, No. 29.

Roger Coys, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pype*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Roger Coys*, gent., by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *John Keblewhite*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Porye*, *John Harrison*, *Arthur Raynescrofte*, *Thomas Bromley*, *William Typper*, *John Jackson*, *John Crowche*, *William Curteis*, *Edward Owen*, *Thomas Elyot*, *Richard Smith*, *Griffin Jones* and *William Jones*, who say that

Robert Coys was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 large capital messuage, 1 yard and 1 garden with 2 small tenements adjoining the said messuage, wherein he dwelt; 2 messuages, and 1 yard or waste ground adjoining the said capital messuage and garden, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Shepperd*, "playsterer"; all which said premises lie together in the parish of the Blessed Marie in Aldermanburye, in the City of London, and are the same which the said *Roger Coys* purchased to him and his heirs of *Stephen Reames* of Estfarleigh in co. Kent, gent., as by a deed enrolled in the Court of Hustings, London, and dated 24 January, 3 Eliz. [1561], more fully appears; 8 messuages with all the shops, cellars, &c., thereto belonging, lying near the Wall of the said City in the parish of the Blessed Mary in the street of Aldermanbury aforesaid and St. Michael Bassishaw within the said City, to wit, between the Queen's highway leading from Cripplegate towards Busshoppsgate on the north side, and the Queen's highway leading from the Church of Aldermanburye towards London Wall towards the west, and the lands and tenements of the said *Roger Coys* and now or late in the tenure of *Richard Fallowes*, "Curryor," on the south, and the lands and tenements of the Wardens and Commonalty of the Mystery of the Mercers of London on the east: all which said premises now are or late were in the several tenures of *Thomas Smyth*, clothworker, *William Wytte*, "curryor," *Robert Harman*, *Henry Kedwey*, hosier, *John Dodson*, *John Moore* and *John Harrison*, curryor, and *William Brigges*, carpenter, and are the same which the said *Roger Coys* purchased to him and his heirs of *George Bowes*, Knight, *John Stilcragge*, yeoman, brother of *Francis Stilcragge*, late citizen and carpenter of London, and *Michael Stilcragge*, yeoman, son and heir apparent of the said *John Stilcragge*, as by a deed, dated 24 June, 5 Eliz. [1563], more fully appears.

The premises in the said parish of Aldermanbury, purchased of *Stephen Reames* are held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £13 6s. 8d. The residue of the premises in the said parish, late purchased of *George Bowes*,

Knight, and others are held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £16.

Roger Coys died 30 January last past; *William Coys* is his son and next heir and was then aged 18 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 21 Eliz., part 2, No. 31.

William Catchier, Citizen and Clothworker.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 29 May, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pipe*, Knight, Mayor and Escheator, after the death of *William Catchier*, citizen and clothworker of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *Arthur Ravenscrofte*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Poye*, *William Layer*, . . . *Barbor*, . . . *elde*, *Richard Cox*, *John Ireland*, *Edward Owen*, *John Stodderd*, *Thomas Eliott* and *Griffin Jones*, who say that

William Skipwith of Ornesbie in co. Lincoln, knight, and *Richard Skipwith* his son and heir by their deed dated 7 June, 15 Eliz. [1573], sold to *William Holstocke* and the said *William Catchier* and their heirs for ever, inter alia, 1 messuage or great place commonly called the Old Place situate at the east head of the parish Church of the Blessed Mary At Hill formerly in the tenure of *Thomas Lucas*, citizen and fishmonger of London, and then in that of the said *William Catchier*, except certain rooms (*Romeis*) parcel of the said Olde Place granted to the said *William Holstocke* by an Indenture of bargain and sale dated 17 Feb., 13 Eliz. [1571], made to him by the said *William Skipwith*, knight, *Dame Elizabeth* his wife and the said *Richard Skipwith*, of the yearly value of 50s., or otherwise.

The said *William* and *Richard Skipwith* by their said deed sold to the said *William Holstocke* and *William Catchier* and their heirs for ever 1 other messuage and 1 curtilage called a "Yerde" situate in the said parish of the Blessed Mary at Hill, then in the tenure of *John Holstocke* of London, woodmonger. And they being so thereof seised, the said *William Holstocke* by his deed dated 16 January, 16 Eliz. [1574], released and quitclaimed for himself and his heirs for ever to the said *William Catchier* and his heirs for ever all his right and estate whatsoever of and in the said messuage called the Old Place except the said "Romeis," parcel thereof, granted to the said *William Holstocke*, as above, and also all his right and estate of and in the said other messuage and curtilage, and all the buildings, &c., thereto belonging and the reversions and remainders of the said premises (except as above excepted)

and 3 shops and 1 "yerde" parcel of the premises, lying together now or late in the several tenures of *John Edwardes*, *William Hawse* alias *Pygeon* and *John Myller* which the said *William Holstock* and *William Catchier* by their charter, dated 7 December, 17 Eliz. [1574], sold to a certain *John Holstocke*, citizen and woodmonger of London and his heirs for ever: all which said premises so released by the said *William Holstock* to the said *William Catchier* and his heirs were late in the tenure of the said *William Catchier*, *Ralph Bell*, cowper, *Richard Stringar*, draper, *Mary Browne*, widow, and *John Edwardes*, leatherseller.

The said *William Catchier* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of a house called a great warehouse and 1 shop with all the "Romeis" and buildings thereupon built, now or late in the occupation of *Adrian Porter*, foreigner, and *John Basse*, draper, and formerly in that of *John Levisham*, situate in the parish of the Blessed Mary at Hill adjoining the west side of the messuage in the said parish late in the occupation of the said *Thomas Lucas*, late of London, fishmonger, and later in that of the said *William Catchier*: which said premises the said *William Catchier* purchased to him and his heirs of the said *William Holstock*, as by deed of bargain and sale dated . . . Eliz. more fully appears: and which the said *William Holstock* purchased to him and his heirs, inter alia, of the said *William Skipwith*, Knight, *Dame Elizabeth* his wife and *Richard Skipwith* their son, as by the said deed dated 17 Feb., 13 Eliz. [1571], more fully appears.

So seised, the said *William Catchier* made his will dated the first day of A . . ., 1577, as follows [*here given in English*]: I give to *Mary* my wife for life the messuage in the parish of St. Mary at Hill, London, now in my occupation.

As to the residue of my lands, &c., in the said parish I give the same to *William Catchier* my son and his heirs for ever; the 2 tenements adjoining my said dwelling house, now or late in the occupation of *Richard Stringar* and *Thomas Lothberye* only excepted: which 2 tenements I give to my child unborn.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, £20.

William Catchier died 4 August, 19 Eliz. [1577]; the said *William* is his son and next heir and is now aged 6 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 21 Eliz., part 2, No. 33.

Thomas Godfrey, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pipe*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Godfrey*, esq., by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *John Keblewhite*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Poyve*, *John Harrison*, *Arthur Aynescroft*, *Thomas Bromley*, *William Typper*, *John Jackson*, *John Crowche*, *William Curtesse*, *Edward Owens*, *Thomas Elliott*, *Richard Smith*, *Griffin Jones* and *William Jones*, who say that

Thomas Godfrey was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and 4 tenements and 1 shop in the parish of the Blessed Mary Aldermanbury in the several tenures of the said *Thomas*, *Cicely Swale*, *Robert Whippe*, *Annabell Herdman* and *John Henshaw*; and 14 cottages in the several tenures of *John Tylley*, *John Legatt*, *Thomas Medcave*, — *Hopkyns*, *John Holdernes*, *Robert Erley*, *William Legatt*, *Jone Sallion*, *Robert Richardson*, *William Waley*, — *Holland*, widow, *Henry Morley*, . . . and *William Hodgkin*.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage, viz., by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £12.

Thomas Godfrey died 27 February, 20 Eliz. [1578]; *Oliver Godfrey* is his son and next heir and was then aged 29 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 21 Eliz., part 2, No. 35.

Gerson Hilles, Lunatic.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 18 December, 22 Eliz. [1579], before *Thomas Penny*, Doctor of Medicine, *Richard Taylor*, Doctor of Medicine, *Nicholas Wheler*, gent., and *William Necton*, feodary, by virtue of a commission to enquire into the lunacy of *Gerson Hilles*, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Thomas Russell*, *Arthur Raynscrofte*, *John Jackson*, *Edward Owen*, *John Stodderde*, *Thomas Elyot*, *John Ricardes*, *Richard Smyth*, *Geoffrey Johnes*, *William Jones*, *John Ireland*, *John Keblewhite*, *William Poyve*, *William Layer* and *William Curteis*, who say that

Gerson Hilles is a lunatic and does not enjoy lucid intervals, so that he is incapable of governing either himself or his lands, and he became a lunatic on the 10th day of December, 20 Eliz. [1577], and has not since alienated any of his lands or goods, nor has he since been seised of any messuages, lands, &c., which he might alienate, but long before his

lunacy he was and still is possessed of divers goods and chattels, viz., 1 piece of white woollen cloth, containing 27 yards, remaining in the City of Antwerp, in parts beyond the seas, in the custody of *Reginald Capcote*, citizen and ironmonger of London, of the price of £9, and of a certain lease of a tenement in the which he dwells, lying in the parish of St. Dionis Backchurche, London, for a term of years not yet expired, of the value of £20; also of divers goods, movables and utensils in his said house of the value of £163 1s. 3d.; and divers clothes and other things thereto appertaining of the value of £105 9s. 6d.

Barnabas Hilles is the brother and next heir of the said *Gerson Hilles*, and is now aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., p. 2, No. 19.

Jasper Fisher, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 10 November, 22 Eliz. [1580], before *Edward Osborne*, citizen and Alderman of London and *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the City of London, after the death of *Jasper Fysshier*, esq., late one of the Six Clerks of the Queen's Court of Chancery, by virtue of a commission to them and to *William Flete-woodd*, serjeant-at-law, and *Francis Bowyer*, citizen and Alderman of London, directed, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Arthur Raynscrofte*, *George Gynne*, *John Crowche*, *John Keblewhite*, *William Povey*, *John Jackson*, *John Irelande*, *William Stiche*, *William Jones*, *William Typper*, *John Stodderd*, *Edmund Allen* and *Henry Shawe*, who say that

Jasper Fysshier was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage with all the buildings, yards, gardens, &c., thereto belonging, situate at Bishopsgate, London, which formerly were the 6 gardens late purchased of *Martin Bowes*, Knight, deceased, and of *Thomas Bowes* and *Martin Bowes* his sons, and of *William Clopton*, esq.; all that alley called *Toddes Alley* with all the houses, &c., within the same; and divers cottages, orchards, gardens, lands, &c., situate in the parish of St. Botolph without Bisshopsgate in London, now or late in the several tenures of *Nicholas Parkinson* and *Robert Egles*: which said alley and other the premises last mentioned were late of *Christopher Campyon* and afterwards of *Nicholas Culverwell*, and by him conveyed to the said *Jasper Fysher* and his heirs; and 9 gardens now reduced into one with certain cottages or tenements in *Houndesdytche* within the said parish of St. Botolph with the gardens thereto adjoining, now or late in the

tenure of the said *Jasper Fyssher*, *John Goodwyn*, Knight, *William Savage*, *Thomas Milles*, *Robert Medcaulf*, *Edward Strete*, *John Powell*, — *Goustone*, widow, *Henry Glyne* alias *Glyme*, *Nicholas Hollidaye*, *Thomas Maynerd*, *Christopher Lawrence*, *Hugh Wattes* alias *Walker*, *William Nicholls* and *John Wilkensonne* : which said gardens and tenements were late purchased of *William Ryges* and *William Bugberd*, gentlemen.

So seised, the said *Jasper Fyssher* made his will as follows [*here given in English*] : Whereas I have enfeoffed *John Ellys* of *Graves* *Inne* in co. *Middlesex*, gent., and *Vincent Pointer* alias *Corbett*, citizen and draper of *London*, of my capital messuage, gardens, &c., in the parish of *St. Botolph* aforesaid and have previously conveyed the same to *Margaret* my wife for life, and inter alia, to *Richard Bostock* and *John Glascock*, gentlemen : now my intent is that my said wife shall enjoy my said capital messuage and all other my lands, tenements, &c., in the said parish for life, and that *Sir William Cordell*, Knight, *Sir Rowland Hayward*, Knight, *Thomas Bromeley*, *George Bromeley*, *William Fleete-wood*, *Thomas Fanshawe*, *Peter Osborne*, *Nicholas Bacon*, of *Redgrave* in co. *Suffolk*, *Thomas Powle* and *John Frenche*, esquires, *Nicholas Woodroffe* and *Edward Osborne*, citizens and Aldermen of *London*, and *Richard Younge*, citizen and grocer of *London* and their heirs shall sell the reversion of all the said premises after the decease of my said wife and with the money therefrom coming shall pay the sum of £1,600, bequeathed by *Richard Blunt*, deceased, to *Elizabeth Blunt*, daughter of my said wife if she at the time appointed by her said father will make a release of all her right or interest to the annuity granted by *Sir Thomas Kempe*, Knight, to her said father and his heirs, but if she refuse, then they shall pay her £1,300 and no more, and the surplus of such sale shall go to my executors.

The capital messuage and other the premises lately purchased of *Martin Bowes* are held in free burgage of the city of *London*, and are worth per ann., clear, £20. The said alley and other the premises late purchased of *Christopher Campyon* and *Nicholas Culverwell* are held of the Queen in chief, by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The tenements, gardens, &c., late purchased of *William Ryges* and *William Bugberd* are held of the Queen as of her manor of *East Greenwich* in co. *Kent*, by fealty only, in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £5.

Jasper Fyssher died on the last day of February, 21 Eliz. [1579]; *Katherine Norwood*, widow, and *Anna Woulrytche* wife of *Richard Woulrytche* are his kinswomen and next heirs, viz., daughters and heirs

of *Cicily Taylor* late wife of *Robert Taylor* and sister of *John Fyssher* father of the said *Jasper Fyssher*, and are now both aged 40 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 4.

Anthony Gamage, Citizen and Alderman.

Delivered into Court, 22 November, 22 Eliz.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pype*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Anthony Gamage*, citizen and Alderman of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dykynson*, *John Keblewhyte*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Povie*, *John Harryson*, *Arthur Raynscrofte*, *Thomas Broomley*, *William Tipper*, *John Jackson*, *John Crouche*, *William Curteis*, *Edward Owen*, *Thomas Elyott*, *Richard Smyth*, *Griffin Jones* and *William Jones*, who say that

Anthony Gamage was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage situate in Fryday strete in the parish of St. Matthew in Frydaystreet in the Ward of Bredstreete, London, now or late in the occupation of *Richard Wright*; 1 capital messuage situate in the parish of St. Pancras in Westchepe, London, in the tenure of the said *Anthony Gamage* at the time of his death, and now in the occupation of *Alice Gamage* his relict; and 1 messuage situate in Dystaffe Lane in the parish of St. Margaret Moyses, London, now or late in the occupation of *John Warsop*.

The said messuage in Frydaystreete is held of the Queen as of her manor of Grenewiche in co. Kent, in free socage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth, per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d. The said capital messuage in the parish of St. Pancras in Westchepe and the said messuage in Dystaffe Lane are held of the Queen by fealty only, in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £12.

Anthony Gamage died 11 June last past; *William Gamage* is his only son and next heir and is now aged 22 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 22.

Thomas Coppinger.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 May, 22 Eliz. [1580], before *Nicholas Woodroffe*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Coppinger*, by the oath of *Robert Dyconson*, *John Ireland*,

William Styche, George Gynne, Thomas Elyott, Griffin Jones, John Keblethwayte, William Poye, John Stoddard, Richard Smythe, John Jackson, Edward Owen and John Rycardes, who say that

Thomas Coppinger was seised in his demesne as of fee tail, viz., to him and his heirs male, of 1 capital messuage lying in the parishes of St. Mary in Lothburye and St. Olave in Olde Jurye in the City of London; 2 other tenements next adjoining on the east side of the said capital messuage, namely, at the south east corner of the garden of the same messuage, now in the tenure of *Thomas Ryvette*, Knight, and formerly parcel of the possessions of the late monastery of the Salutation of the Mother of God, of the Order of the Carthusians next London; and 1 other tenement lying in the parish of St. Margaret in Lothbury, London, now or late in the tenure of — *Walkadyne*.

Long before the death of the said *Thomas Coppinger* a certain *Henry Coppinger* father of the said *Thomas* was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manors of Buxall alias Bukesalles, Cockesalles olde Nectons and Fasebornes in co. Suffolk, and of the advowson and right of patronage of the parish Church of Buxall aforesaid, lying in the vills, fields and parishes of Buxall, Ratisden, Hecham, Fynbarrowe and Bretham in the said county; 60 acres of land, 20 acres of pasture and 20 acres of meadow in Buxall, Ratisden, Fynbarrowe, Hitcham and Brethenham in the said county; and so seised, the said *Henry* by his will dated 26 August, 12 Eliz. [1570], gave all the said manors, lands, &c., in co. Suffolk to *Agnes Coppinger* then his wife for life by the name of her jointure, but if she should marry again he willed that there should be paid to her £20 yearly during her life out of the lands late purchased by him: which said *Agnes* still remains unmarried; and the reversion of all the said premises after the decease of the said *Agnes* to remain wholly to the said *Thomas Coppinger*, son and heir of the said *Henry* and the heirs male of his body, with divers other remainders over in fee tail; and the remainder thereof afterwards to the right heirs of the said *Henry Coppinger* for ever.

After the death of the said *Henry* the said *Thomas* was seised in his demesne as of fee tail of the reversion of all the said premises in co. Suffolk; also of the manor of Devington alias Brunston or Knighte's place in co. Kent; and the manor of Wornedalle alias Borden in the parish of Newington and Borden in co. Kent, with the woods, underwoods, &c., in the parishes of Newington, Stokeberye and Borden; the manor called Ravens in co. Kent, now or late in the tenure of *William Ashurste*; 2 mills called corne milles with divers lands, &c., thereto belonging lying in the vills, parishes and fields of Ospringe, Feversham and Devington in co. Kent, now in the tenure of *Bartholomew Ball*; 1

mill called a Brasell Mill, with the houses, lands, &c., thereto belonging, lying in the parishes, vills and fields of Ospringe, Fersham and Devington aforesaid, now or late in the tenure of *William Hampton*; also in his demesne as of fee of the manor of Churchstrete in the parish of All-hallowes Stoke and St. Mary's in co. Kent.

And further the said *Henry Coppinger* long before his death in consideration of a marriage formerly had between the said *Thomas Coppinger* his son and heir apparent of the one part, and *Frances Coppinger* daughter of *William Broke*, Knight, Lord Cobham, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, and now the wife of the said *Thomas Coppinger*, of the other part, and in performance of certain covenants specified in a deed dated 16 February, 10 Eliz. [1568], by deed dated 1 May, 10 Eliz. [1568], made between *Henry Nevill*, Knight, Lord Burgavenye and *William Broke*, Knight, Lord Cobham of the one part and the said *Henry Coppinger* of the other part gave to *Francis Coppinger*, daughter of the said Lord Cobham and now wife of the said *Thomas Coppinger*, an annuity or yearly rent of 100 marks issuing out of all the premises in Devington and Ravens in co. Kent, and Preston, Feversham, Ludnam, Devington and Newington in the said county, now or late in the several tenures of *Alvered Gyles*, *William Ashurst*, *John Bradbourne*, gentlemen, *Bartholomew Ball*, and *William Hampton*: to hold to the said *Frances* after the death of the said *Thomas* during the life of the said *Henry* and *Agnes* his now wife.

By another deed of even date the said *Henry Coppinger* gave to the said *Frances* an annuity of £100 issuing out of all the said premises: to hold for her life after the deaths of the said *Henry*, *Agnes* and *Thomas Coppinger*.

Afterwards the said *Henry* and *Thomas* died, but the said *Agnes* still survives.

The said *Thomas Coppinger* long before his death, by indenture dated 28 March, 17 Eliz. [1575], in consideration of the sum of £100 to him paid by *John Taylor* of Cobham in co. Kent, gent., gave to the said *John Taylor* an annuity of £10 issuing out of the manor of Churchstrete and all the lands thereto belonging, situate in the parish of All Saints and out of all other the manors of the said *Thomas* in co. Kent: to hold to him and his heirs for ever, on condition that if the said *Thomas* should pay to the said *John* the said sum of £100 on the last day of March, 1577, at the porch of the Church of Cobham, then the said grant to be void and of no effect: at which said day neither the said *Thomas Coppinger* or his heirs had paid the said sum.

So seised, the said *Thomas* made his will dated 16 March, 1579 [*here given in English*], as follows:—

I *Thomas Coppinger* of Allhallows in co. Kent, esq., and “high shirryf” of the same county give to my brother *Robert Coppinger* the lease of the tenement and lands now in the tenure of *John Waller* for the same yearly rent as he now pays.

I give to my brother *Raffe Coppinger* a lease of my lands which he now occupies, for 21 years if he so long shall live, he paying no rent for the same.

I give to *Frances* my wife the annuity of £100 assured to her upon her marriage out of my lands in Feversham, &c.; also all my houses, lands, tenements and hereditaments whatsoever lying within the parishes of Allhallows Stoke and St. Mary, which I late purchased of my brother *Ambrose Coppinger*, for her life.

I will that my son *William* shall have to him and the heirs male of his body all my lands whatsoever and wheresoever on condition that he pay to my son *Francis* an annuity of £40 yearly for life, and also to my child unborn, if a man child £30 yearly, for life, and if a woman child then the sum of £300 on her marriage day.

Touching the entail of all my lands and tenements, if all my men children should die then my will is that the last will of my late father Mr. *Henry Coppinger*, deceased, shall be of full force and strength on condition that my said brother to whom I have made a devise of my lands and tenements in Feversham, Preston, Dore, Ludnam, Newenton, Stockeberrye, Babchild and Hartlippe shall be liable to pay to the marriage of my child unborn if a daughter £500.

The premises in the City of London are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 29s., and are worth per ann., clear, £13 os. 4d. The manor of Buxall alias Bukesalles, Cockesalles, Old Nectons and Fasebornes with the advowson of Buxall, in Buxall, Ratisden, Hecham, Fynbarrowe and Bretham in co. Suffolk are held of the Queen as of her Duchy of Lancaster, by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £36 7s. 5½d. The 60 acres of land and other the premises in Buxall, Ratisden, Fynbarrowe, Hecham and Bitchenham are held of the Queen as of her said Duchy and are worth per ann., clear, £10. The manor of Devington in co. Kent is held of the Queen as of her manor of Feversham by fealty, suit at court and the yearly rent of £4 8s. 0¾d., and is worth per ann., clear, £10. The manor of Worndall alias Borden in co. Kent, is held of the Queen as of her manor of Milton by fealty and the rent of 13s. 4d., and is worth per ann., clear, £16 13s. 4d. The manor of Ravens is held of the Dean and Chapter of the Church of Christ in Canterbury as of their manor of Copton, by fealty and the yearly rent of 31s. 6¾d., and is worth per ann., clear, 100s. The 2 mills in Ospringe, Feversham and Devington

are held of *Henry Lord Cheynee* as of his manor of *Quenecourt* by fealty and the rent of 3s., and are worth per ann., clear, 6os. The mill called a *Brasel mill* in *Ospringe*, *Feversham* and *Devington* is held of the said *Lord Cheynee* as of his said manor by fealty and a rent of 12d., and is worth per ann., clear, 2s. 6d. The manor of *Churchstrete* is held of the *Queen* as of her manor of *Wyndell* by fealty and the rent of 10s., and is worth per ann., clear, £10.

Thomas Coppinger died 21 March, 22 Eliz. [1580]; the said *William Coppinger* is his son and next heir and is now aged 6 years, 10 months and 7 days.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 25.

Bartholomew Brookesbie, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 18 May, 22 Eliz. [1580], before *William Cordell*, Knight, Master of the Rolls of the Court of Chancery, *Ruland Heyward*, Knight, *David Lewes* Doctor of Laws and *William Necton*, gent., after the death of *Bartholomew Brookesbie*, gent., by virtue of a commission to them and to *Thomas Fanshawe* directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Ireland*, *William Stitche*, *Arthur Reynescrofte*, *Roger Hoell*, *Thomas Elliott*, *John Crowche*, *John Ricardes*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Jones*, *Henry Shawe*, *William Curtes*, *John Keblewhite*, *William Povie* and *Richard Smythe*, who say that

Bartholomew Brookesbie was seised in his demesne as of fee of the moiety of a messuage called *The Three Cranes* in the *Vyntree*, lying in the parish of *St. Martin* in the *Vintree* in the ward of the *Vintree* in the *City of London*, now in the tenure of *Thomas Prouse* citizen and vintner of *London*; 1 messuage called the *Sarazen's Head* next the *Yeldhall Gate* of the said city, lying in the parish of *St. Lawrence* in *Old Jewry*, in the ward of *Chepe*, *London*, now or late in the several tenures of *George Allen*, *Joan Frend*, *Robert Whipp* and *Fulk Heath*; and 2 messuages in the parish of *St. Dunstan* in the *West* in the ward of *Farringdon*, without the said city, now or late in the tenures of *William Kingsley*, gent., and *Henry Beverley*.

The said moiety of the messuage called *The Three Cranes* in the *Vintree* is held of the *Queen* in free burgage of the said city, and is worth per ann., clear, £10. The said messuage called the *Sarazen's Head* in the parish of *St. Laurence* in *Old Jewry* is held of the *Queen* in free burgage of the said city by fealty only, and not in chief, and is worth

per ann., clear, £36 16s. 8d. The said 2 messuages lying in the parish of St Dunstan's in the West are held of the Queen in free and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £8.

Bartholomew Brookesbie died 10 August last past; *Thomas Brookesbie* is his kinsman and next heir, viz., son of *Bartholomew Brookesbie*, son of *John Brookesbie*, son of *Bartholomew Brookesbie*, father of *William Brookesbie*, father of the said *Bartholomew* named in the said commission, and was then aged 40 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 26.

Miles Exelbye, citizen and merchant-tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 March, 22 Eliz. [1580], before *Thomas Woodroffe*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Miles Exelbye*, citizen and merchant-tailor of London; by the oath of *Robert Dyckenson*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Ireland*, *William Styche*, *Arthur Reynescrofte*, *Roger Hoell*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Elyot*, *John Crowche*, *John Ricardes*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Jones*, *William Curteys*, *John Keblewhite*, *William Powye*, *Richard Smyth* and *John Stoddard*, who say that

Miles Exelbye was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages late purchased by him of *Richard Tonge*, gent., situate in Fleetstrete in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West in the suburbs of the city of London, between the messuage of *John Walker* on the west side and the messuage in the tenure of *John Wooddie*, skinner, on the east side, abutting upon the highway towards the Bar, and a certain parcel of land or garden belonging to the Inner Temple, London, towards the south; and 1 other messuage late in the tenure of *Richard Bolto* and now in that of *John Nusham* situate in Chancery Lane, in the parish of St. Dunstan aforesaid.

Long before the death of the said *Miles Exilbye* a certain *William Reinold* of the said Inner Temple, gent., and *Lucy* his wife were seised in their demesne as of fee of 1 messuage then in the tenure of *Edward Lutwiche*, gent.; and 2 cottages then in the several tenures of *John Tressham* and *Thomas Trowte* situate in Chancery Lane in the said parish of St. Dunstan; and so seised, the said *William* and *Lucy* for a sum of money to them paid by the said *Miles Exelbye* and *Alice* his wife, by their charter dated 6 April, 11 Eliz. [1569], granted and confirmed to the said *Miles* and *Alice* the said messuage and cottages, with all the shops, cellars, &c., thereto belonging, situate in Chancery Lane:

to hold to the said *Miles* and *Alice* and to the heirs of the said *Miles* for ever.

The said *Miles* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages in the several tenures of *John Whytwell* and — *Chamberlain*, situate in the city of Westminster in co. Middlesex and late parcel of the possessions of the Cathedral Church of Westminster, with the shops, cellars, &c., thereto belonging.

And so seised of all the above recited premises the said *Miles Exelbye* made his will dated 16 October, 21 Eliz. [1579], as follows [*here given in English*]:—

I will that after the Queen shall be satisfied of a full third part (in 3 equal parts to be divided) of all my lands, &c., held of her in chief by knight's service or by socage in chief, the said third part shall descend immediately after my death to my eldest son *William Exelbye*. And as to the remaining 2 parts: whereas I made my wife *Alice* joint purchaser with me for her life of certain messuages, lands, &c., in Chancery Lane in the said parish of St. Dunstan, now or late in the several tenures of *William Boby*, *Thomas Tresham* and *James Trowte*: I will that after her death the said premises shall remain to my son *Miles Exelbye* and to the heirs of his body; for default, to my son *William Exelbye* and the heirs of his body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever.

I give to my said wife one other house in Chancery Lane in the tenure of *John Newsham*, for her life; after her decease I give the same to my said son *Myles* and to the heirs of his body; for default, the remainder thereof to my said son *William* and to the heirs of his body; and for default to my right heirs for ever, provided always that if my said wife will not accept in full recompense of her dower such lands as I have hereby assured to her, then my will is that she shall take no benefit of this my will.

Whereas my brother *Richard Millward* with my money has purchased to him and his heirs 1 messuage with shops, &c., thereto belonging, situate in Fletestrete in the said parish, in the tenure of *John Woodye*, skinner: my will is that he shall convey the same to my wife and my son *William* and his heirs for ever, but if my wife shall claim any dower contrary to this my will then the said assurance of the said premises shall be made to my said son *William* and his heirs for ever.

I give all my lands, &c., in Westminster to my executors for so long and until they may have received out of the profits thereof the sum of £100 to the use of my daughter *Elizabeth Exelbye*, to be paid to her on the day of her marriage or at her age of 21 years; and afterwards to the use of my child unborn and the heirs male of his body if a son, but if it be a daughter and she be still living after the said £100 shall have been

levied, then my executors shall retain the said premises until another £100 shall be levied to the use of such other daughter, to be paid as above. The reversion of the said premises in Westminster shall be to my said son *Miles* and the heirs of his body; for default, to my said son *William* and the heirs of his body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever.

I will that 2 parts (in 3 parts to be divided) of all my messuages, lands, &c., late purchased of *Richard Tonge*, gent., shall be to the uses hereafter expressed and I will that my said executors shall have all the said premises until my said son *Myles* shall be of the age of 21, and if he shall die before that time then until my next heirs have accomplished the said age, to the intent that they shall take all the profits thereof to the use of my daughter *Jane*, to be paid to her as above.

The 2 messuages in Fleetstreet purchased of *Richard Tonge*, are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The messuage in Chancery Lane in the tenure of *John Nusham* is held of the Queen, but by what service is not known, and is worth per ann., clear, 20s. The messuage late in the tenure of the said *Edward Lutwiche* and the 2 cottages in Chancery Lane in the several tenures of the said *John Tresham* and *Thomas Trowte* are held of the Queen as of her manor of Wendover Ferens [*sic*] in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The 2 messuages in Westminster are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent, by fealty only, in free socage, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 66s. 8d.

Miles Exelbye died 17 October, 21 Eliz. [1579]; the said *William* is his son and next heir and was 16 years of age on the 11th day of December last past.

The said *Alice* still survives in the said parish of St. Dunstan.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 29.

Richard Clareson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 June, 22 Eliz. [1580], before *Nicholas Woodrooffe*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Richard Clareson*, son and heir of *Nicholas Clareson*, deceased, and late being within age and in the wardship of the said Queen by reason of his minority, by the oath of *Robert Dyckenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Jackson*, *John Keblewhite*, *Richard Smythe*, *William Povie*, *Thomas Eliott*, *George Gynne*, *John Ireland*, *William*

Styche, Gryffin Jones, Roger Hole, John Stoddard, Edmund Owen, John Richardes and Robert Peacocke, who say that

Richard Clareson was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage situate in the parish of St. Helen next Busshops gate in the street of Busshoppes gate within the City of London, late in the tenure of *Edward Skegges*: which said messuage is held of the Queen in chief, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and is worth per ann., clear, 48s.

Richard Clareson died 20 January, 21 Eliz. [1579]. The said messuage ought to come to the Queen by reason of the minority of *Thomas Clareson* who is the brother and next heir of the said *Richard* and was aged 20 years on the 17th day of August last past.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 30.

Giles Harryson, Brewer.

Inquisition taken near the Church of St. Botolph without Algate in the suburbs of the City of London, 14 May, 22 Eliz. [1580], before *William Fletewode*, esq., Recorder of the said City, *Robert Heyes, George Irelande* and *John Guylpyne*, gentlemen, by virtue of a commission to enquire concerning lands and tenements escheated, by the oath of *Richard Wotton, Anthony Hall, Peter Collett, Thomas Cuttler, Thomas Armestronge, Hugh Wheler, John Inman, Thomas Dawson, Richard Swerlande, Richard Neale, Francis Wight, Thomas Bennett, Henry Sherwood, William Rylyon* and *Henry Browne*, who say that

Giles Harryson late of London, brewer, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called the Flower de Luce, formerly in the tenure of *John Hollande* late of London, fletcher, lying in the parish of St. Botolph, with all those messuages and cottages situate in the said parish in or near a certain alley or lane called Shippe Alley near the Mynoresse.

So seised, the said *Giles Harrison* made his will 7 May, 1551, as follows [*here given in English*]:—

I give to *Alice Waterscott* the daughter of *John Waterscott* and *Awdrie* his wife on the day of her marriage my 2 tenements, one in the *Sibill Vincent* and the other in that of *Edward Baxter*: which 2 tenements are now rented at a mark a piece, lying in the parish of St. Botolphe between the Mynories and the said Church: to her and her heirs for ever.

I give to *Gyles Eston* son of *William Eston* and *Elizabeth* his wife at the day of his lawful age the tenement now in the tenure of *John*

Hollande, fletcher, lying in the high street next to an alley called Wolsick Alley: to him and his heirs for ever.

All the rest of my lands and houses both within Ship Alley and without, lying near the late dissolved monastery called the Mynories I give to *Elizabeth* my wife for life; and after her decease, I give the same to the children lawfully begotten of *John Waterscott*, citizen and goldsmith of London, and *Awdrie* his wife and to the children of *William Eston*, citizen and fishmonger of London, and *Elizabeth* his wife and to their heirs for ever, equally divided.

After the death of the said *Giles Harrison* the said *Giles Eston* was seised of the said premises called the Flower de Luce.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in free and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d.

The said *William Eston* and *Elizabeth* had issue *Giles*, *William* and *Lucretia Eston*. The said *John Waterscott* and *Awdrie* had issue *Alice Waterscott*.

The said *Giles*, *William* and *Lucretia Eston* died without heirs general or special.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 23.

Giles Harrison, brewer.

Inquisition taken at the gate of the house of the late dissolved monastery of St. Mary of Graces near the Tower of London in co. Middlesex, 28 May, 22 Eliz. [1580], before *William Fletewode*, esq., Recorder of the City of London, *Edmund Marrant*, esq., *George Iretonde* and *John Gylpyne*, gents., commissioners, by virtue of a commission to enquire concerning lands and tenements escheated, by the oath of *James Forman*, gent., *John Taylor*, *Richard Donnyngton*, *Richard Roughton*, *Richard Cowper*, *William Bunche*, *Peter Orrell*, *Thomas Gyttons*, *John Lighterfot*, *Richard Clyff*, *Richard Robson*, *Henry Stokes*, *Thomas Harryatt* and *John Goldyng*, who say that

A certain *Giles Harrison* late of London, brewer, was seised in his demesne as of fee of one messuage then and now being a brewhouse called the Redd Lyonn situate in Estsmythfeeld in the said county; and so being thereof seised he made his will, dated 7 May, 1551, as follows [*here given in English*]:—

I give the profits of my brewhouse called the Redd Lyonn, wherein I now dwell, to *Elizabeth* my wife for life; after her decease, I give the

lands and houses above bequeathed [see *Inq. p. m.*, 22 *Eliz.*, part 2, No. 33] to the children of *John Waterscott*, citizen and goldsmith of London, and *Awdrey* his wife and to the children of *William Eston*, citizen and fishmonger of London, and *Elizabeth* his wife: to them and their heirs for ever equally divided.

I make *Elizabeth* my wife my principal executor, and co-administrator with her the said *John Waterscott*.

Afterwards the said *Giles Harrison* died without heirs general or special.

Because the said messuage was held in chief by knight's service the said will was void as to one whole third part of the said messuage, in 3 parts divided, and good and sufficient in law as to 2 parts thereof to the persons aforesaid to whom the said *Giles* had devised the said messuage.

The said *John Waterscott* and *Awdrey* his wife had issue one daughter called *Alice* and married to a certain *John Ferne*. The said *William Eston* and *Elizabeth* his wife had issue *Giles*, *William* and *Lucretia*.

The said *Elizabeth* could not lawfully alienate any part of the lands, &c., of the said *Giles Harrison*, yet nevertheless she and a certain *Thomas Deane* late her husband by a fine levied at Westminster without the licence of the said *John Waterscott* acknowledged the said tenement to be the right of a certain *Roger Trigg* as that which the same *Roger* had of the gift of the said *Thomas* and *Elizabeth*, and the said *Roger* by that fine delivered the said tenement to the said *Thomas* and *Elizabeth* and the heirs of the said *Thomas*; for which cause the said *Elizabeth* forfeited for life all her right and title therein.

The said *Alice* is seised of the 4th part of the 2 parts of the said messuage, in 4 parts divided, in her demesne as of fee, and the other 3 parts thereof belong to the Queen as escheats, because the said *Giles*, *William* and *Lucretia Eston* died without heirs general or special; and the said 2 parts of the said messuage are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and the said 3 parts are worth per ann., clear, 10s.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 *Eliz.*, part 2., No. 38.

Robert Kympton, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Inn called the Castle in the street called St. John Strete without the Bars of the City of London, 18 June, 22 *Eliz.* [1580], before *Jasper Cholmeley*, gent., escheator of the county of Middlesex, after the death of *Robert Kympton*, late of Greyes Inn in the said county, gent., by the oath of *James Forman*, gent., *William*

Wood, John Tayllor, Richard Roughton, Richard Donnyngton, Robert Mann, Richard Robson, Henry Stokes, Henry Antell, Peter Orell, Richard Cowper, James Mascall, Richard Clyffe and James Tute, who say that

Robert Kympton was seised in his demesne as of fee of one Chamber or Cubicle with 2 small houses called "Studdyes," and 1 cellar lying under the stairs of the same, also a free and common passage or way through a certain entrance above the said stairs to the said chamber and the said "Studdyes" belonging thereto: which said premises now are or late were parcels of a messuage lately built in divers cubicles, chambers or "Romeis" by a certain *Edward Stanhope* of Greyes Inn aforesaid, esq.; which said messuage so built was built upon a certain piece of soil or land, and of the brick wall upon the same, the said piece of soil or land being late parcel of the garden of the mansion house late of *Geoffry Clyffe* now deceased, situate in High Holborne in co. Middlesex, in the parish of St. Andrews in Holborn abutting upon the rear of a court called the back court lying on the south side of the Hall of Greyes Inn and above divers chambers of Grays Inn commonly called the Iryshhe Rents towards the west as appears by a certain indenture quinquupartite dated 24 July, 11 Eliz. [1569], made between *Geoffry Clyffe* of High Holborne aforesaid, gent., and *Richard Clyffe* son and heir apparent of the said *Geoffry* of the one part, and *Robert Lane* of Horton in co. Northampton, Knight, of the 2nd part, *George Morton* of Greyes Inn aforesaid, gent., of the 3rd part, *Robert Kympton* of Greyes Inn aforesaid, gent., of the 4th part, and *Edward Stanhope* of Greyes Inn aforesaid, esq., of the 5th part more fully appears.

The said chamber and premises are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s.

Robert Kympton died 10 February last past, leaving *Margaret* his wife who afterwards, viz., on the 10th day of May last, bore a daughter named *Lucy*, which said *Lucy* on the 13th day of May following was baptized in the Church of St. Augustine in the said City and now survives and is his only daughter and next heir.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 39.

Julius Burgarney, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 9 May, 23 Eliz. [1581], before¹ . . . after the death of *Julius Burgarney*, esq., Doctor of Medicine, by the oath of *Robert . . . Russell, John Ireland, John Jackson, John*

¹ Part of the right hand side of this Inquisition is torn away.

Keblewhite, William Styche, George Ginne, John Crowche, Edmund Owen, Griffin Jones, Peter Legate, John Ricardes and William Feeke, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Julius King* Henry 8 was seised of 2 houses and 1 parcel of waste ground . . . viz., next the site of the late Priory or New Hospital of the Blessed Mary without Bishopsgate, London, now dissolved; and so seised, afterwards, viz., the 28th day of June, in the 32nd year of his reign by Letters Patent for a certain sum of money granted the said messuage and other the premises to . . . and mercer of London: to hold to the said *Christopher Campion* and his heirs for ever, of the said late King . . . one knight's fee and paying to the King 2s. yearly.

So seised, the said *Christopher Campion* afterwards by indenture dated 10 . . . 3 and 4 Philip and Mary by indenture made . . . and *Giles Allen*, gent., of the other part demised the said premises by the name of the mansion houses with the garden and orchard adjoining, to the said *Giles* for 99 years, paying therefor yearly to the said *Christopher* 1 grain of pepper: the estate and term of years of which said *Giles* in the said premises . . . of Thurgarton in co. Nottingham, yeoman, now has by sufficient conveyances in the law, by virtue whereof the said *John Grondey* was and still is seised of the residue of the said term of years.

After the death of the said *Christopher Campion* the said premises descended to . . . gent., to *Barbara* wife of *Thomas Ball*, gent., and to *Elizabeth* wife of *Lawrence Swynborne*, gent., daughters and coheirs of the said *Christopher*, by virtue whereof the said *Ellis, Thomas and Lawrence* were thereof seised in right of their said wives, and so seised by indenture dated 4 February, 20 Eliz., for a certain sum of money, sold the said premises to the said *Julius Burgarncye* and *Elianore* his wife: to hold to them and the heirs of the said *Julius* for ever.

By deed dated 12 March, 20 Eliz., the said *Ellis and Helen, Thomas and Barbara, Lawrence and Elizabeth* acknowledged . . . and remised the said premises to the said *Julius* and *Elianore* and the heirs of the said *Julius* for ever.

The said *John Grondey* being so seised of the said premises demised the same to the said *Julius*, who by charter dated 26 December, 23 Eliz., enfeofed thereof *Roger Townesende*, esq., and *Nicholas Coote*, gent., to hold to the use of the said *Julius* for life; after his decease, to the use of the said *Elianore* for life; after her decease, to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *Julius*; and for default, to the use of the said *Julius* and *Elianore* and the heirs of the said *Julius* for ever: which said charter is here given in full as follows: This indenture made 26 Dec., 23 Eliz., between *Julius Burgarncye*, esq., Doctor of "Phisick"

of the one part and *Roger Townessend* of *Estraineham* in co. *Norfolk*, esq., and *Nicholas Coote* of . . . in the said county, esq., of the other part witnesses that the said *Julius* in consideration of a marriage had between himself and *Eleanor* his wife and for the affection he bore her and for the advancement of his heirs granted to the said *Roger* and *Nicholas* all that great messuage or tenement and all the buildings, lands, &c., lying near the Spittle without Bishopsgate: to hold to the use of the said *Julius* for life; after his decease, to the use of the said *Eleanor* for life; after her decease, to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *Julius*; and for default, to the use of the said *Julius* and *Eleanor* and their heirs for ever.

The said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 2s. The reversion of the premises during the residue of the said term is worth nothing except the said rent of 1 grain of pepper, but after the said term it will be worth £5.

Julius Burgarncey died at London 7 January last past without issue of his body: after his death the said *John Grondey* was possessed of the said premises for the residue of the said term. With the assent of the said *John* the said *Eleanor* took the profits of the said premises and dwelt therein.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 23 Eliz., part 2, No. 60.

Eleanor Burgarncey, Widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 10 November, 23 Eliz. [1581], before *James Harvey*, Mayor and Escheator, after the death of *Eleanor Burgarncey*, widow, late the wife of *Julius Burgarncey*, esq., Doctor of Medicine, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Roger Hole*, *William Poye*, *John Harryson*, *John Ireland*, *John Jackson*, *William Stiche*, *Arthur Raynscrofte*, *George Ginne*, *John Rickardes*, *Edmund Owen*, *Griffin Jones*, *Henry Shaw*, *William Curtes*, *George . . .* and *William Feake*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Eleanor*, King Henry 8 was seised in his demesne of 2 houses and 1 parcel of waste land adjoining the same, containing 1 acre and 1 rood, and of 2 walls of bricks near adjoining the said houses, lying in the suburbs of the City of London, *viz.*, next the site of the late Priory or new Hospital of the Blessed Mary without Bisshopsgate, London, now dissolved, and late parcel thereof; and so being thereof seised, afterwards, *viz.*, on the 28th day of June in

the 32nd year of his reign, by Letters Patent, dated at Westminster the same day and year, for a certain sum of money, granted the said premises, *inter alia*, to *Christopher Campion*, citizen and mercer of London: to hold to him and his heirs for ever, of the said late King and his heirs by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee and rendering yearly for the same 2s.

And the said *Christopher Campion* so being thereof seised by indenture dated 14 April, 3 and 4 Philip and Mary [1557], made between himself of the one part and a certain *Giles Allen*, gent., of the other part demised and to farm let the said premises by the name of a mansion house with a garden and orchard adjoining the same to the said *Giles Allen* for 99 years, he paying for the same yearly to the said *Christopher* 1 grain of pepper: the estate and term of years in the said premises of which said *Giles*, a certain *John Grondeye* of Thurgarton in co. Notts now has, as by divers lawful conveyances more fully appears.

And so seised of the reversion of the said premises the said *Christopher* died at London: after whose decease the said messuage and other the premises descended to *Helen* wife of *Ellis* (Elizens) *Stempe*, gent., to *Barbara* wife of *Thomas Ball*, gent., and to *Elizabeth* wife of *Lawrence Swynborne*, gent., daughters and coheirs of the said *Christopher*, by virtue whereof the said *Ellis*, *Thomas* and *Lawrence* were thereof seised in right of the said *Helen*, *Barbara* and *Elizabeth*; and so being thereof seised, they afterwards, *viz.*, on the 4th day of February, 20 Eliz. [1578], by indenture of the same day and year, by pardon from the Queen by her Letters Patent, for a certain sum of money, sold the said premises to the said *Julius Burgarncy* and *Eleanor* his wife: to hold to them and to the heirs of the said *Julius* to their sole use for ever; and by their deed dated 12 March, 20 Eliz. [1578], remised and altogether quit-claimed to the said *Julius* and *Eleanor* and the heirs of the said *Julius* for ever all their estate, title and interest in the said premises.

The said *John Grondie* being so seised of the said premises, long before the death of the said *Julius Burgarncy* demised to him the said premises at the will of the said *John*; and afterwards, the said *Julius* by charter dated 26 December, 23 Eliz. [1580], enfeoffed thereof a certain *Roger Townesende*, esq., and *Nicholas Coote*, gent., to hold to them and their heirs to the use of the said *Julius* for life; and after his decease to the use of the said *Eleanor* for life; after her decease to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *Julius*; and for default of such issue to the use of the said *Julius* and *Eleanor* and their heirs for ever. By virtue of which said enfeoffment and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Julius* was seised of the said premises in his demesne as of freehold, with remainders as above.

The said *Julius Burgarncy* died so seised at London on the 7th day of January last past without issue lawfully begotten; after whose death the said *John Grondeye* was possessed of the said premises for the residue of the said term of years, with remainder thereof to the said *Eleanor* and her heirs.

The said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of one knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 2s., and during the residue of the said term are worth nothing except the said rent of 1 grain of pepper, and afterwards they will be worth per ann., clear, £5.

Eleanor Burgarncy died 10 August last past at London; *Thomas Cooper* of Thurgarton in co. Notts is her son and next heir and was then aged 23 years and more.

After the death of the said *Ellen* the said *John Grundy* was seised of the said premises for the residue of the said term, the remainder thereof being to the said *Thomas* and his heirs.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 23 Eliz., part 2, No. 62.

Christopher Draper, Knight.

Writ dated at Westminster 23 June, 23 Eliz. [1581].

Delivered into court the last day of October, 23 Eliz.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall [no date given], before *John Braunche*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Christopher Draper*, knight, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *William Povey*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Iretonde*, *John Jackson*, *Peter Legatt*, *William Stiche*, *John Keblewhite*, *George Gynne*, *Edmund Owyn*, *Griffin Jones*, *Henry Webbe*, *George Robertes*, *John Oldam*, *Roger Hole* and *John Stodderd*, who say that

Christopher Draper was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage commonly called the Gallie in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East, in London, in the occupation of *Clement Draper*; and of a certain other large messuage called Asheling Wharfe and formerly called Puckman Wharfe and afterwards called Crechurche-wharfe and late called Gibson's Key, situate in the said parish.

And so seised, the said *Christopher* afterwards by feoffment dated 1 March, 13 Eliz. [1571], gave the said premises, with all the houses, buildings, &c., thereto belonging to *William Webbe*, citizen and salter of London, *Stephen Woodroff*, citizen and haberdasher of London, *Wolstan Dixie*, citizen and skinner of London, and *Laurence Grene*,

citizen and cutler of London : to hold to them and their heirs for ever to the use of the said *Christopher* for life ; and after his decease, then as to 2 parts of the said premises, in 3 equal parts to be divided, to the use of *Margaret* wife of the said *Christopher* for life ; after her decease then as to the same to the use of *Benedicta*, *Brigitt* and *Agnes*, daughters of the said *Christopher*, and their heirs for ever.

Afterwards the said *Margaret* died in the said parish in the lifetime of the said *Christopher*.

The said messuage called Gibson's Key is held of the Queen by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee and the yearly rent of 23s., and is worth per ann., clear, £8. The messuage called the Gallie is held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £5.

Christopher Draper died 8 May, 23 Eliz. [1581], in the said parish ; the said *Benedicta*, now the wife of *William Webbe*, citizen and Alderman of London, the said *Brigitt* now the wife of *Henry Billingsley*, citizen and haberdasher of London, and the said *Agnes* the wife of *Wolstan Dixe*, citizen and Alderman of London, are his daughters and next heirs and are now aged respectively, the said *Benedicta* 39 years, the said *Brigitt* 30, and the said *Agnes* 26.

Chan. Inq. p.m., 22 Eliz., part 2, No. 64.

William Chapman, Citizen and Ironmonger.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 28 November, 23 Eliz. [1580], before *William Tooke*, esq., Auditor of the Court of Wards and Liveries, *Richard Gadburge*, gent., and *William Necton*, feodary of the City of London, after the death of *William Chapman*, citizen and ironmonger of the said city, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *Arthur Raynscrofte*, *George Ginne*, *John Crowche*, *John Keblewhite*, *William Povie*, *John Harrison*, *John Jackson*, *John Irelande*, *William Stiche*, *John Ricardes*, *Griffin Jones*, *Peter Leggat*, *William Curtis*, *Edmund Owen* and *Henry Shawe*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *William Chapman* a certain *Robert Chamberleyn*, citizen and ironmonger of London, was seised of 1 messuage situate in Borthalane alias Bordehawelane within the parish of the Blessed Mary Colchurch in the Ward of Chepe, London ; 1 yard or waste piece of land to the said messuage adjoining ; 2 other messuages situate in the said parish late belonging to the House or College of Acon, London, lately dissolved ; and 2 yards with 2 small houses thereupon built lying in the said lane called Borthalane in the said parish.

So seised, the said *Robert Chamberlain* in part fulfilment of certain bargains and agreements specified and declared in certain indentures of bargain, dated the last day of March, 18 Eliz. [1576], and made between himself of the one part and the said *William Chapman*, deceased, and *Joan* his wife of the other part, sold to the said *William* and *Joan* the said messuage in Borthalane, the said yard or waste land thereto adjoining, then or late in the several tenures of the said *William Chapman* and of *Robert Herne*, merchant tailor of London, and also the said 2 other messuages: to hold to them and to the heirs of the said *William* to their sole use for ever.

And so seised, the said *William Chapman* made his will dated 15 August, 1579, as follows [*here given in English*]:—

I give to *William Chapman* my son and heir apparent and to his heirs for ever my manor of Bright Walton alias Brickleton in co. Berks and all my lands in Bright Walton thereto appertaining.

I give to my son *Robert Chapman* all my lands, tenements, &c., in the City of London, and in the towns, parishes and hamlets of Cookeham and Bray in co. Berks.

The said messuage in Borthalane, the said yard or waste piece of land thereto adjoining, and the said 2 yards with the 2 small houses thereupon built in Borthalane aforesaid are held of the Queen by fealty only, in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The 2 messuages in the said parish of the Blessed Mary Colchurch to the said late House of Acon belonging are held of the Queen in chief by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £3.

William Chapman died 8 August last past; *William Chapman* is his son and next heir and was aged 7 years on the 20th day of December last past.

The said *Joan* still survives in the said parish of the Blessed Mary Colechurch, London.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 23 Eliz., part 2, No. 79.

William Heron, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 30 January, 23 Eliz. [1581], before *John Harte*, citizen and Alderman of London, *William Tuck*, esq., Auditor of the Court of Wards and Liveries, *Richard Gadberye*, gent., *Nowell Sotherton*, gent., and *William Necton*, gent., feodary within the City of London, by virtue of a commission to them and to *Rowlande Haywarde* directed after the death of *William Heron*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dyconson*, *George Gynne*, *William Povey*,

John Harryson, Richard Smythe, John Jackson, John Irelande, William Styche, John Rychardes, William Leyer, William Typper, John Stoddarde, Roger Hole, Thomas Bromley and William Feake, who say that

William Heron was a citizen and freeman of the said city and was seised in his demesne as of fee of 14 messuages and 1 stable situate in Westsmythfeild in the parish of St. Sepulchre, London; and so being thereof seised he made his will 12 July, 1580, at London, as follows: [*here given in English*]: I give to *Elizabeth* my wife a yearly rent of £20 issuing out of my house called the Maydenhed and other my lands thereto adjoining in the said parish of St. Sepulchre, on condition that she shall not claim any dower, "franke banke" (free beach) or wife's part of my lands or goods; if she does claim them then this my grant to cease.

I give to *Thomas Heron* of Newcastell and his heirs for ever the yearly rent of £5 issuing out of my said lands and tenements in the said parish.

I give to 2 poor colleges in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, *viz.*, University College in Oxford and Peterhouse in Cambridge, to each of them the yearly rent of £5, issuing out of my said lands "toward the educacion and bringinge upp of poore schollers within the said towe severall Colleges or howses".

I give to the parish of St. Sepulchre to the use of the poor for ever the yearly rent of £4, also issuing out of my said lands.

Towards the repair of the parish Church of Clerkenwell the yearly rent of £4 for 12 years, and after that period, a like sum yearly for ever to the poor of the said parish of Clerkenwell: all issuing out of my said lands.

I give to *Katherine Bassett alias Poppleton* my first wife's daughter for life the yearly rent of 40s.; to *Joan Hall alias Poppleton* my said first wife's daughter the yearly rent of 40s. for life; to *Margaret Bell* my servant the yearly rent of 40s. for life; to the said *Katherine Bassett alias Poppleton* the yearly rent of 20s. besides the said 40s., and to *John Hall* the yearly rent of 20s. for life: all issuing out of said lands.

I give to the use and repair of the parish Churches of St. Sepulchre and Clerkenwell for ever the yearly rent of £20 after the decease of my said wife; and after the decease of the said *Katherine Basset*, *Joan Hall*, *Margaret Bell* and *John Hall* I give the said yearly rent of £8 issuing out of my said lands for ever towards the repair of the highways from time to time in most needful places between the Spittlehowse at Highegate and the corner of St. John's Wall and the common highway leading from Highegate through Kentyshe towne to Battlebridge: the same to be yearly bestowed by the Constables and Churchwardens of the said

places for the time being. I give to *Thomas Charleton* son of *Roger Charleton* the yearly rent of 26s. 8d., issuing out of my said lands.

And finally in order that the several demises of the said lands may be performed, I will that the said lands shall be conveyed to the corporations of the Woodmongers or Clothworkers to the above said uses if my executors shall be so advised by their counsel.

The said *William Heron* made *Edward Buggins*, gent., *Robert Woode* and *Clement Rigges* his exors.

After the death of the said *William* the said executors by their deed dated 6 October, 22 Eliz. [1580], conveyed the said premises to the Master, Wardens and Commonalty of the Freemen of the Art or Mystery of the Clothworkers of London and their successors to their proper use for ever.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £40.

William Heron died 12 July last past; *Thomas Heron* is his kinsman and next heir, viz., son of *William Heron*, son of *John Heron* alias *Bernard Heron*, father of *John Heron*, father of the said *William Heron* named in the said commission, and is now aged 40 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 23 Eliz., part 2, No. 83.

William Clerke, Idiot.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 6 November, 23 Eliz. [1581], before *John Allott*, Alderman of the City of London, *Gabriel Colston*, citizen and grocer of London, and *William Necton*, feodary, commissioners appointed to enquire into the lunacy of *William Clerke*, son of *Roger Clerke*, citizen and salter of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *William Layer*, *William Poye*, *John Harryson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *William Stiche*, *John Keblewhite*, *George Ginne*, *John Crowche*, *John Richardes*, *Edmund Owen*, *Gri . . .*, *Henry Shawe*, *William Curtes*, *George Robartes*, *Peter Legate*, *Roger Hole* and *William Feake*, who say that

William Clerke is an idiot so that he is incapable of governing either himself or his lands, tenements, goods and chattels, and has been and still is an idiot by the visitation of God, and does not enjoy lucid intervals, nor is he seised of any other messuages, lands, &c.

Roger Clerke, son of the said *Roger Clerke* the father is the elder brother and next heir of the said *William*, and was aged 19 years on the 25th day of August last past.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 23 Eliz., part 2, No. 88.

Lawrence Reynoldes.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 23 Eliz. [1581], before *John Braunche*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Lawrence Reynoldes*, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *William Poye*, *John Irelande*, *John Jacson*, *William Stiche*, *John Keblewhyte*, *John Riccardes*, *Griffin Jones*, *George Robertes*, *John Oldham*, *Roger Hole*, *John Stodderd*, *Richard Smythe* and *Thos. Russell*, who say that

One *Edward Whitwell* was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that messuage and the wharf, adjoining the same, situate in the parish of St. Andrew, at *Castlebaynerd*, in London; 3 small tenements in the said parish and 2 other messuages there near the gate of the lord of the *Borroughe*: which said premises the late King Henry 8 by his Letters Patent, dated 11 June in the 36th year of his reign gave to *Robert Taverner*, gent., to the sole use of himself and his heirs for ever, to be held of the said King in free and common socage, by fealty only and not in chief: the estate of which said *Robert Taverner* in the said premises the said *Edward Whitwell* had to him and his heirs at the time of his death; after whose death the said premises descended to *Avice Reynolds*, then wife of *Thomas Reynolds*, as daughter and heir of the said *Edward Whitwell*, and so thereof seised the said *Avice* died in the said parish, and afterwards the said *Thomas* died, by reason whereof the said premises descended to said *Lawrence*, named in the said writ, as son and heir of the said *Avice* and he was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee.

The said premises are held of the Queen in free and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £10.

Laurence Reynoldes died 15 August, 23 l.liz. [1581], without heirs of his body; *John Bryan* is his next kinsman and heir, viz., son and heir of *John Bryan* and *Isabel* his wife, daughter of *Edward Whitwell*, father of the said *Edward Whitwell*, father of the said *Avice*, mother of the said *Lawrence*, and is now aged 45 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 23 Eliz., part 2, No. 89.

Alice Skevington, Widow, Lunatic.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 2 November, 23 Eliz. [1581], before *William Necton*, gent., *William Dalbye*, gent., and *William Squier*, gent., by virtue of a commission to enquire into the lunacy of *Alice Skevington*, widow, to them and to *Humphrey Nicholls*

directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson, Richard Smythe, Roger Hole, John Jackson, John Keblewhite, Walter Warde, John Twiste, Thomas Madocke, John Myles, Griffin Jones, William Typper, William Stiche, John Harryson, George Gynne, John Ireland and Edmund Owen*, who say that

The said *Alice Skevington* is not a lunatic, nor does she enjoy lucid intervals, but is of sound mind and memory, and has the governing of her own lands, tenements, goods and chattells.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 23 Eliz., part 2, No. 91.

Nicholas Backhouse, Alderman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 25 January, 23 Eliz. [1581], before *John Braunche, Esq., Mayor and escheator*, after the death of *Nicholas Backhouse*, citizen and Alderman of the City of London, by the oath of *Robert Dykenson, Thomas Russell, Arthur . . . , George Gynne, John Keblewhite, William Poye, . . . John Jackson, John Iretonde, William Stiche, John Ricardes, William Layer, Griffin Jones, William Jones, John Stodderd, Edmund Owen, Roger Hoell, Henry Shawe, William Feake* and . . . who say that,

Nicholas Backhouse was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 large messuage and tenement situate in the streets of Cornehill and Brodestreete in the parish of St. Christopher next "lez Stockes" within the said city, lately purchased of *Anthony Gamage*, citizen and Alderman of London, *John Banaster* and *Philip Banaster*, executors of the will of *Thomas Banaster*, late citizen and skinner of London, deceased; 1 messuage and tenement situate in the parish of All Saints in Hony Lane within the said City, late in the tenure of *Thomas Thickens*, and lately purchased by the said *Nicholas* to him and his heirs of *William Boxe*, of London, grocer; 1 capital messuage or mansion house situate in the street called Bassinges Hawe within the said City, late in the tenure of *John Gresshame*, knight, citizen and Alderman of London, deceased; 5 small tenements adjoining the said capital messuage, lying in Bassingshawe aforesaid: all which said premises last recited lying in Bassinghawe were lately purchased by the said *Nicholas Backhouse*, to him and his heirs of *Thomas Gressham*, knight, and *John Gressham* now deceased; 3 tenements with 1 small garden lying in or near an alley called Swan Alley in the street called Colman strete in the parish of St. Stephen of Colman strete in the said City, late in the several tenures of the said *Nicholas Backhouse, Libius Foxe* and *Matthew*

Twyford and lately purchased by the said *Nicholas* to him and his heirs of *John Drewrie*, esq.; 1 messuage called the Boores Heade with all the shops, cellars, solars, lands, &c., and the warehouses thereupon built, late in the tenure of *John Eccelston*, lying in the street called Weastcheape and in the lane called Hony Lane in the said parish of All Saints of Honey Lane, lately purchased by the said *Nicholas*, to him and his heirs, of *John Eccleston* of London, goldsmith; 1 messuage called the Half Moone and 1 vault situate in the street called Westchepe in the parish of the Blessed Mary, Colechurch within the said City, late in the tenure of *Mark Dingley*, and lately purchased by the said *Nicholas* to him and his heirs of the said *Mark Dingley* and *William Colles*, citizens and grocers of the said City; 1 garden with a tenement thereupon newly built, late in the tenure of *Richard Brooke*, late citizen and goldsmith of London, deceased, lying in a certain alley called Swanne Alley in the street called Colman street in the said parish of St. Stephen and lately purchased by the said *Nicholas*, to him and his heirs of the said *John Drewrie*, esq.

The said messuage in the parish of St. Christopher next the Stockes is held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £6. The said messuage in the said parish of All Saints in Hony Lane, lately purchased of *William Boxe* is held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City, and is worth per ann., clear, 5 marks. The said capital messuage and the 5 small tenements adjoining the same in Bassingshawe, lately purchased of the said *Thomas* and *John Gressham*, are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City, and are worth per ann., clear, 20 marks. The said 3 tenements and garden and the said other garden and tenement in or near Swan Alley, lately purchased of the said *John Drewrie*, esq., are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City, and are worth per ann., clear, £4. The said messuage called the Boores Heade, with 'all the houses, &c., &c., lying in West-Cheape and Honey Lane in the said parish of All Saints, purchased of *John Eccelston* of London, goldsmith, are held of the Queen in chief, by the 30th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The said messuage called the Half Moone in Weastcheape in the parish of the Blessed Mary Colechurch is held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £4.

Nicholas Backhouse died 12 June last past; *Samuel Backhouse* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 24 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 23 Eliz., part 2, No. 92.

Cuthbert Bestoun, Citizen and Girdler.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 14 August, 24 Eliz. [1582], before *James Harvey*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Cuthbert Bestoun*, late citizen and girdler of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *William Layer*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *William Styche*, *John Keblewhite*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Robartes*, *Francis Gunter*, *John Richardes*, *Griffin Johanes*, *Christopher Whytchcock* and *John Bonde*, who say that

Adam Bestoun, late citizen and girdler of London, deceased, was seised in his demesne as of fee, of 1 capital messuage or Inn called the Cadge situate in the parish of St. Olave in the borough of Southwark in co. Surrey, now in the tenure of *Bartholomew Newce*; 7 messuages adjoining the said messuage called the Cadge, now or late in the several tenures of *William Simpsoun*, *Lambert Wayes*, *John Richardsonn*, *Francis Hill*, *Joan Dawson*, widow, and *Roger Rabbendyne*; 9 other messuages near Battlebridge in the said parish, now or late in the several tenures of *John Dewsburie*, *Richard Askewe*, *Edmund Horsley*, *William Hills*, *John Atkinson*, *John Silvester*, *Robert Dewsburie*, *William Hoke* and *Nicholas Silvester*; 1 house or stable near Battlebridge in the said parish, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Harrison*; 4 . . . or tenements situate in Barmondesie streat in the said parish now or late in the several tenures of *William Fee*, *Christopher Fletcher*, *John Brasse* and *John Bell*; 1 messuage called the Bishops Hedd late in the tenure of *William Lewes* and now or late in that of *John Oldam*, clothworker, situate in Westminster in co. Middlesex.

So seised, the said *Adam Bestoun* on the 17th day of May, 1545, made his will as follows [*here given in English*]: As to my lands, tenements, &c., within the borough of Southwark in co. Surrey and elsewhere in England, I will that my son Cuthbert shall have the same: to hold to him and the heirs of his body; for default, the said premises shall be divided into 5 equal portions whereof I bequeath the first part to *John Bestoun* and the heirs of his body, the 2nd part to *William Bestoun* and the heirs of his body; the 3rd part to *Richard Bestoun* and the heirs of his body; the 4th part to *John Stockar* my sister's son and the heirs of his body; and the 5th part to *Randolph Gibsoun* my sister's son and the heirs of his body; and for default, the same to remain to the right heirs of the said *John*, *William*, *Richard*, *John* and *Randolph* for ever.

Afterwards [*date not given*] the said *Adam Bestoun* died at Southwark, and the said *Cuthbert* entered the said premises and was thereof seised in fee tail, and so seised, he suffered the said messuages called

the Bishopshedd in Westminster and the messuage called the Cadge, and the 7 messuages thereto adjoining in Southwark to be recovered and levied by fines and common recoveries to the use of himself and his heirs for ever, by virtue whereof he was seised of the same in his demesne as of fee.

The said *Cuthbert* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of a capital messuage or inn called the Wallnuttre with a garden thereto adjoining, now or late in the tenure of *Edward Fowle*, situate in the said parish of St. Olave; 15 messuages lying in Wallnuttre Lane alias Carter Lane in the said parish of St. Olave, now or late in the several tenures of *James Mullenbeck*, *Valentine Banester*, *William Smyth*, *Rose Emous*, *Robert Beare*, *Thomas Hunt*, *Richard Barker*, *John Ferris*, *George Warde*, *James Gates*, *Francis Webb*, *Richard Coniar*, *Henry Mylam*, *John Simbole* and *William Brownesworde*; 1 capital messuage and a small garden thereto adjoining on the east side late in the tenure of the said *Cuthbert*, and now or late in that of *Alice Beestoun*, widow, situate in Collmanstreat in the parish of St. Stephen in Collmanstreat, London; 3 messuages in the said parish of St. Stephen, now or late in the several tenures of *Richard Smyth*, *Richard Wrench* and *James Watsoun*; 1 garden lying next the alley called Mill Alley in the said parish of St. Stephen, now or late in the tenure of *William Killigrew*; 1 capital messuage called the Hand; 3 messuages near adjoining the same situate in the street called Thamistreet in the parish of All Saints the Great at the Hay Wharf in the ward of Dowegate, London, now or late in the several tenures of *Nicholas Parkinsonn*, *Thomas Morgan*, *John Browne* and *Thomas Thomwoode*.

So seised, the said *Cuthbert* made his will, 5 July, 22 Eliz. [1580], as follows [here given in English]: I give to Alice my wife for life all my messuages, lands and hereditaments situate in the Cities of London and Westminster, in the borough of Southwark and elsewhere in England, she paying all the quitrents going out of the same and keeping the same in good repair.

I give to *Margery Warde*, one of the daughters of my said wife, the great messuage with all the yards, gardens, &c., thereto belonging now in my own tenure, and the messuage in the tenure of *Richard Smythe*, Clerk, situate in the said parish of St. Stephen in Collmanstreet: to hold after the death of the said *Alice*, to the said *Margery Ward* for life; and after her decease the remainder thereof to the heirs of her body; for default, the remainder thereof to *Trew Warde*, another of the daughters of my said wife for life and to the heirs of her body; for default, the remainder thereof to *Corte Warde* brother of the said *Margery* and *Trew* for life and to the heirs of his body; for default, to *George*

Warde brother of the said *Corte* for life and to the heirs of his body ; and for default, to my right heirs for ever.

I give to the said *Trew Warde* my 2 messuages in the several tenures of *Richard Wrenche*, gent., and *James Watsonn*, mercer, in the said parish of St. Stephen, and also a garden plot in Goughes Alley in the said parish of St. Stephen, now in the occupation of *William Killigrew*, esq. : to hold after the death of the said *Alice* for her life ; the remainder thereof after her death to go successively to the heirs of her body, to the said *Margery* for life and the heirs of her body, to the said *Corte* for life and the heirs of his body, to the said *George Warde* for life and the heirs of his body and to my right heirs for ever.

I give to the said *Corte Warde* the great messuage called the Sign of the Hand now in the tenure of *Nicholas Parkinson*, clothworker, and the 3 messuages in the several tenures of *Thomas Morgan*, *John Browne* and *Thomas Thomwoode*, lying together in the parish of Great Allhallows in Thames Street : to hold to him for life after the decease of the said *Alice* : the remainder thereof after his death to go successively to the heirs of his body, to the said *George Ward* for life and to the heirs of his body, to the said *Margery* for life and the heirs of her body, to the said *Trew Warde* for life and to the heirs of her body and to my right heirs for ever.

I give to *Sara Ward*, daughter of the said *Corte Warde* my great messuage or tavern called the Bisshoppshhead in the tenure of *Thomas Dicksey*, citizen and vintner of London, situate in the City of Westminster : to hold after the death of the said *Alice* for her life : the remainder thereof after her death to the heirs of her body ; and for default, then successively to the said *Margery*, *Trew*, *George* and *Corte Warde* and the respective heirs of their bodies ; and for default to my right heirs for ever.

I give to the Master, Wardens and governors of the " Artt or misterie of guirdlers " of London, whereof I am a member, my capital messuage called the Cadge now in the tenure of *John Fowle* serjeant at arms, situate in the parish of St. Olave in Southwark in co. Surrey ; also the 7 messuages in the several tenures of *William Simpsoun*, barber and surgeon, *Lambert Wayes*, shoemaker, *John Richardsoun*, *John Hamlett*, joiner, *Frauncis Hill*, joiner, *Roger Robindyne*, clothworker, and *Joan Dawsoun*, widow, situate in the said parish of St. Olave : to hold after the death of the said *Alice* my wife to them and their successors for ever, on condition that they give yearly for ever out of the profits of the said premises to the steward of the said Company to be employed for the amendment of every of the Quarter Dinners to be made for the Master, Wardens and Livery of the said Company of Girdlers ; and also

for 10 years after the death of the said *Alice* shall have a sermon preached quarterly in the parish Church of St. Stephen in Collmann street “yff the ghospell of our savior xpist shalbe sincerely preached as now yt is,” and that 5s. shall be paid to the preacher of each said sermon; but if the Gospel be not so preached, then 20s. shall be distributed yearly to the poorest people of the said parish of St. Stephen; and shall also for 10 years distribute among the poor of the said parish 2 cartloads of great coals; and shall also pay yearly for ever to the clerk and “Bedyll” of the said Company for the time being 12*d*. The residue of the profits of the said premises (if any) after the death of the said *Alice* to be freely lent to the poorest men of the said Company who shall give surety for the repayment thereof within 1 year from the receipt thereof.

And whereas I am seised of an estate of inheritance in fee simple of the capital messuage called the Wallnuttre now in the tenure of *Thomas Mylles*, serjeant at arms, and all those messuages in the several tenures of *James Mullenbeck* and others [*above named*], situate in Carter lane in the said parish of St. Olave: I hereby give 2 parts of the said premises to the said *George Warde* my wife’s son: to hold after the death of the said *Alice* to him and his heirs for ever, on condition that he shall yearly for 10 years cause a sermon to be preached quarterly in the said parish Church of St. Olave, and shall pay 5s. to the preacher of each said sermon. But if the Gospel be not truly preached, then the said money to be distributed amongst the poorest people of the said parish. The said *George* shall also quarterly for 10 years distribute amongst the poorest prisoners in the prisons of the King’s Bench, the Marshallsey and the Whyte Lyon in Southwark 30s. in bread, that is to say, 10s. to each of the said prisons; also 10s. a piece each to 8 poor maidens, such as shall be known to be honest and of good name and fame, towards their marriage.

The said messuage called the Cadge and the 7 messuages near adjoining are held [*of whom is not stated*] as of the manor of the Liberty of the borough of Southwark, by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £7. The said messuages near Battlebridge in the said parish of St. Olave, the said house or stable in the tenure of *Richard Harrison* and the said 4 messuages in Barmondesyestreat are held of the Mayor, Alderman, Commonalty and citizens of the City of London as of their manor of Southwark by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The said messuage called the Bisshoppshedd in Westminster is held of the Queen in socage in chief and by the yearly rent of 5s., and is worth per ann., clear, £4 6s. 8*d*. The capital messuage called the Wallnuttre, and the garden and the 15 messuages in Wallnuttre Lane are held of the Queen in chief by knight’s service, namely, by the 20th part of a

knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The said capital messuage late in the tenure of the said *Cuthbert* and the 3 messuages in the said parish of St. Stephen in Collmanstreet in the several tenures of *Richard Smythe*, *Richard Wrenche* and *James Wattsoun* are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The said garden lying next to Mill Alley in the said parish of St. Stephen is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, viz., by the fortieth part of a knight's fee and the rent of 10d., and is worth per ann., clear, 3s. The said capital messuage called the Hand and the 3 messuages thereto adjoining in Thames street are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £5.

The said *John Bestoun*, *Richard Beeston* and *John Stocker* named in the will of the said *Adam* died without heirs of their bodies. The said *Randolph Gibsonn* named in the said will had issue *Agnes*, now the wife of *William Bridgewater*, who still survives.

The said *Cuthbert* survived them and died 1 February last past without issue of his body; *Agnes Broke* now the wife of *William Broke* is his kinswoman and next heir, viz., daughter and heir of *William Beeston*, son and heir of *William Beeston*, brother of the said *Adam*, father of the said *Cuthbert*, and is now aged 40 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 24 Eliz., part 1, No. 1.

George Mynne, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 8 December, 24 Eliz. [1581], before *James Harvey*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *George Mynne*, esq., by the oath of *John Harryson*, *William Povie*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *William Styche*, *John Keblewhite*, *Arthur Rainescrofte*, *George Gynne*, *John Ricardes*, *Edmund Owen*, *Griffin Jones*, *Henry Webbe*, *George Robartes*, *John Oldam*, *Roger Hole*, *John Stoddard*, *William Feeke* and *Christopher Whichcot* of the City of London, who say that

George Mynne was seised in his demesne as of fee of a capital messuage or mansion house called *Gervis*, situate in *Hertingfordburie* in co. Hertford, and certain meadows, lands, pasture, woods and hereditaments there to the said messuage belonging; the manor of *Gawlden* in *Gawlden* in co. Somerset; 1 mill in *Gawlden*; 1 wood called *Gawlden Woode* in the parish of *Tollande* in the said county; and divers other lands and hereditaments in *Toland* and *Lydyard St. Lawrence* in the said county.

So seised, the said *George* by indenture dated 24 April, 16 Eliz.

[1574], made between himself of the one part and *Peter Osbourne, Robert Wrothe, esq., William Wrothe and Thomas Wrothe*, gentlemen, of the other part, agreed *inter alia*, for himself and his heirs with the said *Peter, Robert, William and Thomas*, that in consideration of a marriage then to be made between him the said *George* of the one part and *Elizabeth Wrothe* one of the daughters of *Thomas Wrothe, Knight*, deceased, of the other part, at his own proper costs before the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist next following, by fine, to convey to the said *Peter, Robert, William and Thomas* and their heirs, the said manor of Gawlden and the said capital messuage and all other his hereditaments whatsoever in Hertingfordbury (a tenement called Nycolls and a farm called Fitz Johns and all lands, &c., to the same belonging alone excepted) to the use of the said *George Mynne* and his heirs until the said marriage, and afterwards to the use of the said *George* for life; after his decease, to the use of the said *Elizabeth* for life; and after the decease of both of them, then to the use of the said *George* and his heirs for ever.

As to the said manor of Gawlden and other the premises in Gaulden and Lydyard in co. Somerset, to the use of the said *George* and his heirs until the said marriage, and afterwards to the use of the said *George* and *Elizabeth* and the heirs male of their bodies; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *George* for ever.

The said fine was levied in Trinity term, 16 Eliz. [1574], to the said *Peter, Robert, William and Thomas*, according to the intent of the said indenture, and afterwards the said *George Mynne* married the said *Elizabeth* at Hertingfordbury; by virtue whereof and by force of the said indenture and fine and of the Statute of Uses the said *George* was seised of the said premises in Hertingfordbury, except as before excepted, for life, with remainder thereof to the said *Elizabeth* for life; and after their deaths to the said *George* and his heirs for ever. Of the manor of Gawlden and other the premises in Gawlden and Lydyard St. Lawrence the said *George* and *Elizabeth* were seised in their demesne as of fee tail, to them and the heirs male of their bodies; and for default, to the right heirs of the said *George* for ever.

The said *George* was also seised of 4 messuages in the parish of St. Buttolph in Aldersgate streate without the said City, and of a farm in Hertingfordbury called Fitz Johns and a tenement there called Nycolls.

So seised, the said *George Mynne* made his will on the 9th day of May, 1581, as follows [*here given in English*]:—

I give to *John Mynne* my second son an annuity of £10, issuing out of all other my lands in Hertingfordbury, during the life of *Elizabeth* my wife.

I give to the said *Elizabeth* my manor of Gawlden in co. Somerset

for life, and I will that after her decease my said son *John* shall have for life the farm of Gawlden aforesaid now in the possession of *Robert Selocke*.

I also give to the said *Elizabeth* all other my lands, tenements and hereditaments in Hertingfordbury or elsewhere in cos. Hertford and Somerset for life; also to her and her heirs for ever all my houses in the parish of St. Buttophes without Aldersgate in the City of London, or elsewhere within the said City or the suburbs thereof towards the performance of this my will.

I give to *Robert Mynne* my eldest son my farm called FitzJohns in Hertingfordbury for his minatenance and for the Queen's full third part if any of my lands should be held of the Queen in chief or by knight's service. If the said *Robert* when he comes of age shall refuse to assure to my said son *John* the said farm in Gaulden, now in the possession of the said *Robert Sellocke*, for life, then the said *John* shall have to him and his heirs for ever the said farm called FitzJohns.

The messuages in the parish of St. Buttolph without Aldersgate are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., 40s. The manor of Gawlden and other the premises in Gawlden and Lydyard St. Lawrence are held of the Queen but by what service the jurors do not know, and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The farm in Hertingfordbury called Nycolls and all other the premises there except the farm called Fitz Johns are held of the Queen as of her manor of Hertingfordbury, but by what service is not known, and are worth per ann., £4. The farm called Fitz Johns is held of the Queen as of her said manor, but by what service is not known, and is worth per ann., clear, £14.

George Mynne died at Hertingfordbury 20 May last past; the said *Robert Mynne* is his son and next heir, and was aged 3 years on the 6th day of April last past.

The said *Elizabeth* late the wife of the said *George* still survives.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 24 Eliz., part 1, No. 2.

William Hobson, Citizen and Haberdasher.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 24 Eliz. [1582].
before *James Harvey*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Hobson*, citizen and haberdasher of the City of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickynson*, *Richard Smithe*, *Roger Hole*, *John Harrison*, *John Irelande*, *John Juxson*, *John Keblewhite*,

Edmund Owen, Griffin Jones, William Povey, George Robertes, Christofer Wichcotte, Francis Gunter, John Bonde, John Richardes, William Styche and John Crowche who say that

William Hobson was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage newly built called Corpus Christi Chappell, wherein he dwelt, with 2 shops or stalls (*soldis*) thereto adjoining, lying in the parish of St. Mildrede in the said City; 1 tenement lying in a certain lane called Conyhopplane in the said parish, now or late in the tenure of *William Ellys*; 1 messuage called the Fryenge Panne lying in the said parish, formerly in the tenure of *John Hodeshall* and now in that of *William Ramsay*, citizen and grocer of London; 1 other tenement situate in the said lane, late in the tenure of the said *William Hobson* which was "les Warehouse"; 1 other tenement lying there late in the tenure of *William Killinworth* and now in that of *William Kente*; 1 tenement called the Redd Cocke lying in the said parish, formerly in the tenure of *Henry Carewe* and late in that of the said *William Hobson*; 1 other tenement in the said Conyhopplane, in the tenure of *Anthony Hobson*, 1 tenement lying in the said Lane, now in the tenure of *Edward Lane*; 1 other tenement there in the tenure of *Bartholomew Fielde*; 1 tenement lying in the parish of St. Bartholomew, London, now or late in the tenure of *John Owtinge*; 1 tenement called the Mayden Heade in the parish of the Blessed Marie Cole-Church, London, in the tenure of *Nicholas Slanynge*; 2 tenements lying in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldgate, London, in the several tenures of *Francis Singwell* and *John de Grave*; 3 closes of land or pasture lying in the parish of St. Pancras in co. Middlesex now or late in the several tenures of *William Rooper*, *Richard Cliff* alias — and *Edward Saunders*; 2 tenements with certain lands thereto adjoining, lying in the town of Edmonton in the said county, now or late in the tenure of *John Taylor* and *Thomas Kettell*; 1 tenement and 1 close lying in the town of Estham in co. Essex now or late in the tenure of *George Justice*; 1 tenement with the yards thereto adjoining situate in the town of St. Neotis in co. Huntington, now or late in the tenure of *Gabriel Denny*; 1 close of land or pasture lying in the town of Beverley in co. York, now or late in the tenure of *Roger Lawndys*; and of divers tenements situate in the parish of the Blessed Marie Magdalen within the borough of Southwark in co. Surrey, now or late in the several tenures of *Thomas Ellatt*, — *Gardiner*, widow, *John Lynton*, *Thomas Beven*, *William Holmes*, — *Tevidale*, widow, *William Gibson*, *George Roberts*, *Robert Prentice*, *Robert Baxter*, *Richard Rychardson*, *Matthew Harmonson*, *Robert Pyttes*, *George Warde*, *William Mugworth*, *Robert Atkinson*, *William Adams*,

Richard Melson, Gilbert Grene, Robert Hilles, Thomas Colloppe, John Anell, William Grene, Robert Rycharson, John Tempell, William Easte, Robert Dodson, William Standen, Arnold Balle, Adam Spencer, Thomas Gibson and Michael Deldar.

So seised, the said *William Hobson* made his will 6 January, 1581, as follows [*here given in English*]: I give all my lands and tenements in London or elsewhere in England to my sons *John Hobson* and *Bartholomew Hobson* and to their heirs for ever, and the residue I suffer to descend to *Anthony Hobsonne* my son and heir for his full third part of all my lands and tenements according to the schedule hereunto annexed: *viz.* to *John Hobson* and his heirs for ever the tenement newly built called *Corpus Christi Chappell* with 2 shops or sheds before it in the parish of *St. Mildreds, London*; 1 tenement in *Conyhoppe Lane* in the said parish now or late in the tenure of *William Elles*; 1 tenement in the parish of *St. Bartholomew, London*, now or late in the tenure of *John Owting*; 2 closes of land or pasture in the parish of *St. Pancras* in co. *Middlesex* in the several tenures of *William Rooper* 10 acres and *Rychards alias* — 12 acres; 1 tenement and close in *Eastham* in co. *Essex*; and divers tenements in the parish of *St. Mary Magdalen of Barmondsey* in co. *Surrey* in the several tenures of *Thomas Ellates, Wydow Gardiner, John Lynton, Thomas Beven, William Holmes, Widow Tevidale, William Gibson, George Rogers, Robert Prentice, Robert Baxter* and *Rycharde Rychardson*, weaver, the said *John* paying £4 6s. 8d. by the year, namely, 20d. weekly every Sunday to the poor prisoners in the Hole in the Poultry for ever.

And to my son *Bartholomew* and to his heirs for ever I give a tenement called the *Fryenge Panne* in the said parish of *St. Mildred*, in the tenure of *William Ramsay*, grocer, a tenement in *Conyhoppe-lane* in the said parish, in the tenure of *William Hobson*, which is his warehouse; another tenement there late in the tenure of *Nicholas Kyllenworth*; a tenement called the *Maydenheade* in the parish of *St. Mary Colechurch*, in the tenure of *Nicholas Slanyuge*; 2 tenements in the parish of *St. Buttolphes* without *Algate, London*, in the several tenures of *Francis Singwell* and *John Degrave*; a tenement in the town of *St. Neotes* in co. *Huntingdon*; 2 tenements in the parish of *St. Mary Magdalen of Bermondsey* in co. *Surrey* in the several tenures of *Matthew Harmonson* and *Robert Pyttes*, the said *Bartholomew* paying £4 yearly out of the tenement in the said parish of *St. Mary Colechurch*, called the *Maydenheade* to *Briget Calton* for life.

I give to *Anthony Hobson* and his heirs for ever as his full third part of all my lands and tenements, a tenement called the *Redd Cocke* in the parish of *St. Mildred, London*; a tenement in the same parish in

the tenure of the said —; a tenement there in the tenure of *Barthelmewe Fyelde*; 2 tenements with land in the parish of Edmonton in co. Middlesex; 1 close in the parish of St. Pancras in the said county, in the tenure of — *Saunders*, containing 15 acres; 1 close in Beverly in co. York; and divers tenements in the parish of St. Mary Magdalen in Bermondsey in co. Surrey.

The messuage called Corpus Christi Chappell, with the shops or sheds thereto adjoining, in the parish of St. Mildred within the City of London, and all other the tenements lying in Conyehopplane in the said parish, now or late in the several tenures of *William Hobson*, *William Ellys*, *William Hobson* [sic], *Nicholas Killingworth*, *William Kente*, *Anthony Hobson*, *Edward Lane* and *Bartholomew Fielde* are held of the Queen by fealty only, in free burgage of her City of London, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £31 10s. 0d. The tenement lying in the parish of St. Bartholomew, now or late in the tenure of *John Owtinge*, is held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only, and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £4. The tenement called the Maydenheade now in the tenure of *Nicholas Slanyng*, lying in the parish of the Blessed Mary, Colechurch, is held in free burgage of the said City and is worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d. The 2 tenements lying in the parish of St. Botolph without Algate are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The 2 tenements one of which is called the Redd Cocke, late in the tenure of *William Hobson*, and the other of which is called the Frying Panne, now in the tenure of *William Ramsay*, lying in the said parish of St. Mildred, are held of the Queen in chief, by knight's service, viz., by the 10th part of a knight's fee and by a yearly rent of 12s. 4d., and are worth per ann., clear, £13 7s. 4d. The 3 closes in the parish of St. Pancras in co. Middlesex in the several tenures of *William Rooper*, *Richard Cliff*, alias — and *Edward Saunders* are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, viz., by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £19 10s. 0d. The tenement and close lying in the town of Estham in co. Essex are held as of the manor of Estham Burnells by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, 30s. The tenement in the town of St. Neotes in co. Huntingdon is held of the Queen as of her manor in the said town of St. Neotes by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, £3 1s. 8d. The 2 tenements lying in the town of Edmonton in co. Middlesex are held of the Queen in socage as of her manor of Edmonton, by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £4 10s. 0d. The close in the town of Beverly in co. York is held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent, by fealty

only, in free socage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d. All the premises in the parish of the Blessed Mary Magdalen of Bermondsey in co. Surrey are held of the Queen in socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £80 3s. 4d.

William Hobson died 7 January last past; the said *Anthony Hobson* his son and next heir was then aged 48 years and more, but after the death of his said father, and before he had entered into the said premises, and before the taking of any inquisition after the death of the said *William* or delivery of the premises out of the hands of the Queen he died in the said parish of St. Mildred on the 8th day of January last past; *William Hobson* son of the said *Anthony* is now the next heir of the said *William Hobson* named in the writ as well as of the said *Anthony*, and at the time of the death of the said *William Hobson*, his grandfather, was aged 21 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 24 Eliz., part 2, No. 4.

John Scott, Citizen and Salter.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 24 Eliz. [1581], before *James Harvyne*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Scott*, citizen and salter of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickynson*, *Richard Smith*, *Roger Hall*, *John Harrison*, *John Ireland*, *John Faxson*, *John Keblewhite*, *Edward Owin*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Povey*, *George Robertes*, *Christopher Wichcocke*, *Francis Gunter*, *John Bonde*, *John Ricardes*, *William Stiche* and *John Crowch*, who say that

A certain *Edward Martyn* of the Middle Temple in London, gent., long before the death of the said *John Skott*, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 large messuage late called the Signe of the Blewe Boore and now called the Bolte and Tunne and late divided and made into 2 tenements with shops, cellars, solars, "Romeis" and other houses and easements thereto belonging lying in the street called Fridaye Streete in the parish of St. John the Evangelist in a street called Watlingstreete in London now or late in the several tenures of *Margaret Duckington*, widow, and *William Sadocke*, severally or jointly, which premises the said *Edward Martyn* purchased to him and his heirs together with *Anthony Martyn*, citizen and grocer of London, now deceased, of a certain *Thomas Lovelace* of Kingesdowne next Franningham in co. Kent, esq., son and heir of *John Lovelace*, late of Kyngesdowne, deceased, as by a charter thereof made by the said *Thomas Lovelace* dated 27 November, 1 and 2 Philip and Mary [1554] more fully appears.

So seised, the said *Edward Martyn* by his deed enrolled in the court of Common Bench and dated 16 May, 2 and 3 Philip and Mary [1556] gave the said premises to the said *John Scott* and to *Elizabeth* his wife and to the heirs of the said *John Scott* for ever.

The said *John Scott* was solely seised of 3 other messuages then or late in the several tenures of himself and *Richard Wallis* situate in the parish of St. Margaret Moyses in Fridaye strete in the City of London which he late purchased to him and his heirs of *John Hulson* and *William Prendred*.

And so seised, the said *John Scott* made his will dated 3 July, 1578, as follows :—

I give to *Elizabeth* my wife all my lands, tenements, &c., in the parish of St. John the Evangelist, for her life, and after her decease the same to go to *John Crowche* and *Joan* his wife for their lives. And after the decease of my said wife and of the said *John* and *Joan* I give the said premises to the Companye or Misterye of Salters of London and to their successors for ever, to the use of the said Company for ever, on condition that the Wardens of the said Company shall pay out of the profits of the said 2 houses weekly for ever to 6 poor “Almesmen” of the said Company 12*d.*, viz., 2*d.* to each of them; and shall yearly for ever give “unto ffyve score of the poorest of the yomanrye of the same Company” 12*d.* each. And I will that the 2 Wardens of the said “misterye” for the time being shall have for their pains every year 3*s.* 4*d.* And the “Clarke or bedell” of the same mystery shall have 20*d.* yearly for ever, to be paid out of the profits of the said 2 tenements. And the Wardens of the said Company shall yearly for ever provide “one Carte loode of greate Coles,” and shall distribute the same among the poor of the parish of “All Allhowes” and St. Margaret Moyses, “somewhat before the ffeast of the Nativity of our Lord God,” which shall also be paid out of the same.

I also give to the said *Elizabeth* my wife the said house wherein I now dwell, sometime being 3 houses, together with all shops, &c., thereto belonging, for her life; and after her death the same to remain to *Thomas Crowch* son of *John Crowch*, my son-in-law, and to his heirs for ever if he survive my said wife; but if not, then the same to remain to *John Crowch* my Godson and his heirs for ever.

The messuage called the Signe of the Blew Boor and now called the Bolte and the Tunne, lying in the street called Friday Street, is held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City and is worth per ann., clear, 20 marks. The 3 tenements lying in the parish of St. Margaret Moyses are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

John Scott died 23 June, 21 Eliz. [1579]; *Joan* now the wife of *John Crowch* is his only daughter and next heir and was then aged 35 years and more.

The said *Elizabeth* late the wife of the said *John Scott* still survives in Friday street in the said parish of St. Margaret Moyses.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 24 Eliz., part 2, No. 5.

William Humberstone, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 24 March, 24 Eliz. [1582], before *James Harvey*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Humberston*, late of Dunwich in co. Suffolk, esq., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *William Layer*, *John Haurisson*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *John Kyblewhite*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Typper*, *William Curteis*, *John Stoddarde*, *Christopher Whichcotte*, *John Ricardes*, *John Bonde* and *William Stytche*, who say that

William Humberston was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage situate in the precincts called the black Fryers late in the occupation of *Nicholas Harecourt* and now in the tenure of *John Leigh*; and 1 garden late in the tenure of *Peter Benivall* and a certain way or lane leading to the said tenement and garden, lying together in the parish of St. Anne, viz., within the said precincts and within the walls of the late priory or house of the Friars Preachers of London and late belonging thereto.

The said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of 1 knight's fee. [*Value not given.*]

William Humberston died at Dunwich 15 December, 17 Eliz. [1574]; *William Humberston*, gent., is his eldest son and next heir, and was then aged 15 years, 2 months and 25 days.

Richard Arnoulde of the City of London, haberdasher, and *Barbara* his wife occupied all the said premises and took the issues and profits thereof by virtue of a certain demise made to *Francis Pitcher* and *Barbara* his wife, now the wife of the said *Richard*, by the said *William Humberston*, deceased, reserving to him and his heirs 1 grain of pepper yearly as by indenture thereof made dated 4 July, 17 Eliz. [1574] appears.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 24 Eliz., part 1, No. 12.

Thomas Marston, Haberdasher.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 3 February, 24 Eliz. [1582], before *James Harvyne*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Marston*, haberdasher, by the oath of *Robert Dykenson*, *Richard Smyth*, *Roger Holle*, *John Harryson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Ireland*, *John Jackson*, *John Keblewhite*, *George Ginne*, *John Ricardes*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Curtes*, *Griffin Robertes*, *William Feake* and *Francis Gunter*, who say that

Thomas Marston was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and curtilage called the Bell, situate in the Street called Colman Streete in the parish of St. Stephen in Colmanstreete in the City of London, late parcel of the lands and possessions of the College of Acon of London now dissolved lying between the messuage called the Armorers Hale on the north side and the tenement of *Thomas Offley* merchant tailor on the south side and the tenement late appertaining to the Master and Brethren of the said College of Acon on the east side and the high street on the west side: all which premises were purchased of the Guardians and Commonalty of the "Mistery" of the Mercers of the said City.

Long before the death of the said *Thomas Marston* a certain *Robert Austen*, citizen and grocer of London, was seised of 1 messuage and tenement then in the tenure of a certain *John Wendon* and late in that of the said *Thomas Marston* lying in the parish of St. Mary Colechurch of the said City: which said premises were late parcel of the lands and possessions of the late Monastery of Chickesande in co. Bedford, now dissolved, or the late priory of Shulddham in co. Norfolk now dissolved.

So seised of the said premises last recited the said *Robert Austen* by his deed dated 20 October, 4 and 5 Philip and Mary [1557], in part fulfilment of certain covenants specified in certain indentures dated 14 October, 4 and 5 Philip and Mary [1557], made between himself of the one part and the said *Thomas Marston* of the other part, sold to the said *Thomas* and to *Sibilla* his wife all the said premises last recited: to hold to them and to the heirs of the said *Thomas Marston* to their sole use for ever: by virtue whereof the said *Thomas* and *Sibilla* were thereof seised, viz., the said *Thomas* in his demesne as of fee and the said *Sibilla* in her demesne for life, with remainder to the heirs of the said *Thomas* for ever.

And so seised of all the premises above recited the said *Thomas Marston* made his will dated 26 October, 1581 [*in English*], as follows: I give to *Sibilla* my wife and executrix and to her heirs for ever my

messuage called the "Signe of our Ladye" wherein I now dwell, in the Poultrye of London with all the shops, cellars and solars thereto belonging, and all other houses whatsoever which I purchased to myself and the said *Sibilla* and to my heirs of *Robert Austen*, citizen and grocer of London; also my messuage or inn called the Bell in Colman-streete in London, with all the profits thereof for life; after her decease, I give the said messuage called the Bell to *William Marston* my son and to the heirs of his body; for default, to *Nicholas* another of my sons and to the heirs of his body; for default, to *Vincent*, another of my sons and to the heirs of his body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever.

The messuage and curtilage called the Bell lying in the said parish of St. Stephen in Colman street are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The messuage and tenement lying in the parish of St. Mary Colechurch are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Thomas Marston died 27 October last past; *William Marston* is his son and next heir and was then aged 30 years and more.

The said *Sibilla* still survives in the said parish of the Blessed Mary Colechurch.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 24 Eliz., part 1, No. 14.

Philip Gunter, Citizen and Skinner.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 June, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, Knight, Mayor and escheator of the City of London and the suburbs thereof, after the death of *Philip Gunter*, citizen and skinner of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickonson*, *Roger Hole*, *William Layer*, *John Harryson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Poye*, *George Robertes*, *Robert Peacoke*, *Henry Shawe*, *John Bonde*, *John Ricardes*, *William Stiche* and *Nicholas Hawkysford*, who say that

Philip Gunter was seised in his demesne as of fee of 3 messuages as now they are divided with all the shops, cellars, solars and other easements, lying together on the south side of a plot (*platee*) of the Lady the Queen in Cornhill in the parish of St. Michael upon Cornhill within the said City, in one of which 3 tenements, commonly called the Sarazens Heade the said *Philip Gunter* dwelt, being on the west part of the Back Alley or approach of the tenement or wine tavern commonly

called the Popesheade, and the other two, formerly in the tenure of *Elizabeth Stansfelde* of London, widow, situate on the east part of the said Back Alley are in the several tenures of *John Eldred* and *Anthony Soda* : all which said premises the said *Philip Gunter* purchased to him and his heirs of *George Monoux*, esq., son and heir of *Thomas Monoux* late of Walthamstowe in co. Essex, esq., deceased, as by the charter of the said *George* and *Elizabeth* his wife dated 7 July, 1 Mary [1553], and acknowledged before *Robert Brooke*, esq., Recorder of the said City, and *Richard Dobbes*, Alderman, and enrolled at the Hustings Court of Common Pleas of London, held in the Guildhall on Monday next before the feast of St. Benedict the Abbot in the 2nd year of the reign of Queen Mary more fully appears.

So seised, the said *Philip Gunter* made his will, 14 January, 1582 [*in English*], as follows:—

I will that *Anne* my wife shall have for her life, if she remains unmarried, my mansion now known by the name of the Sarazen's Head situate in the parish of St. Michael upon Cornhill, reserving to *Francis Gunter* my son out of the same house, all the shops and warehouses thereof and the use of the same with one chamber in the same house, all rent free, with "ingresse egressse regresse and accesse" thereto, and after the death or marriage of my said wife, I give the said house to my said son *Francis Gunter* and to the heirs male of his body for ever ; for default, I give the same to *Philip Gunter* my second son and to the heirs male of his body for ever ; for default, to *Thomas Gunter* my son and the heirs male of his body for ever ; for default, to *John Gunter* son of my brother *William Gunter* and the heirs male of his body for ever ; and for default, to the right and next heir male of me the said *Philip*, being of my blood and to his heirs male for ever, and so "forthewards" shall remain to the right and next heir male of my blood from heir male to heir male by way of entail for ever.

I give to my said son *Philip* my 2 houses lying together and next adjoining my said dwelling house sometime in the occupation of *Mrs. Stansfelde* and others and now in the tenure of *John Eldred* and *Anthony Soda* : to hold to him and the heirs male of his body for ever ; for default, I give the same to my said son *Francis* and the heirs male of his body ; for default, to my said son *Thomas* and the heirs male of his body for ever ; for default, to the said *John Gunter* and the heirs male of his body for ever ; and for default, to the right heirs of my blood in fee tail for ever.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage by the service of 1d. yearly, and are worth per ann., clear, £11.

Philip Gunter named in the writ died 15 February, 25 Eliz. [1583]

at London; the said *Francis Gunter* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 44 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 25 Eliz., No. 39.

Thomas Langham, Citizen and Fishmonger.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 29 August, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, Knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Langham*, citizen and fishmonger of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Richard Smythe*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *William Poye*, *George Robertes*, *John Stoddarde*, *John Bonde*, *John Rickardes* and *Nicholas Hawkesforde*, who say that

Thomas Langham was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage or brewhouse commonly called the Hartes Horne situate in Basing Lane in the parish of St. Mildred in Bredstreate in London; and 2 messuages and tenements thereto adjoining on the west side thereof, now or late in his own occupation, and now in that of *Thomas Arte*, merchant tailor: all which said premises the said *Thomas Langham* purchased to him and his heirs of *Walter Woolfleete* of Howsden in co. York, yeoman, and of *Robert Wright* of Great Grimsby in co. Lincoln, yeoman; also of 1 other messuage, with the shops, cellars, solars and yards, situate in the said parish of St. Mildred, formerly in the tenure of *John Clapshawe*, late in that of *John Collins*, citizen and salter of London, and now in that of *William Graunte*, salter, next adjoining the messuage in the occupation of *Robert Gibbes*, salter of London, on the south part and abutting upon the Rectory belonging to the parish Church of St. Mildreds aforesaid on the north part, by purchase of *William Boxe*, citizen and grocer of London.

The messuage or brewhouse called the Hartes Horne and the 2 messuages thereto adjoining now in the tenure of *Thomas Arte* are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent, by fealty only in free socage, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The messuage now in the tenure of *William Graunte* is held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City by the yearly rent of 1d., and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Thomas Langham died 13 August, 24 Eliz. [1582], at London; *John Langham*, citizen and writer of Court-hand, is his kinsman and next heir, to wit, son of *Richard Langham* brother of the said *Thomas Langham*, and was then aged 47 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 25 Eliz., No. 40.

Christopher Whichcotte, Citizen & Merchant-tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 September, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, Knight, Mayor and escheator after the death of *Christopher Whichcott*, citizen and merchant-tailor of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Richard Smythe*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *William Poye*, *George Robertes*, *John Stoddarde*, *William Feake*, *John Bonde* and *Nicholas Hawkesforde* who say that

Christopher Whichcott was seised in his demesne as of fee of the moiety of 2 messuages with the shops, cellars, sollars, &c., situate in the parish of St. Peter in Cornhill, London, which he purchased of *Robert Dunkyn*, citizen and cordwainer of London, and *Elizabeth* his wife, sometime belonging to the late Fraternity or Guild of St. Peter, founded in the Church of St. Peter in Cornhill, and late being parcel of the possessions thereof; 7 messuages with all the buildings, shops, cellars, &c. situate in Shoelane in the parish of St. Brigett within the suburbs of the City of London; 11 gardens or garden grounds in Shoelane aforesaid which the said *Christopher* had and purchased of *Henry Lysley* of London, gent., and *Frances* his wife, and which were formerly parcel of the possessions, lands, &c. of *John Tuchet*, knight, *Lord Audley*, as by a certain deed of bargain of the said *Lord Audley* made to a certain *John Studd*, gent., and *Katherine* his wife and their heirs, dated 11 May, 14 Hen. 8 [1522] more fully appears.

So seised, the said *Christopher Whichcott* on the 12th day of January, 1575, made his will [*in English*] as follows: I give to *Lucy* my wife all my lands and tenements lying in Shoelane and Cornewall [*sic*] within the Freedom of London, for life; after her decease, the same to remain to my sons *John* and *Christopher Whichcott*, in equal parts, for their lives, and then to the heirs of their bodies; for default, to my daughter *Margaret* and the heirs of her body; for default of issue to any of my children, all my lands and tenements in Shoelane aforesaid shall remain to the heirs male of the body of my brother *Anthony Whichcotte*; for default, to the heirs male of the body of my brother *Leonard Whichcott*; and for default, the same to remain to my right heirs for ever.

The moiety of the said two messuages in the parish of St. Peter in Cornhill is held of the Queen by fealty only, in free burgage of the said City and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £5. The premises in Shoelane are also held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £7.

Christopher Whichcott died 18 May last past, *John Whichcott* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 25 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 25 Eliz., No. 41.

Giles Lamberd, Citizen and Draper.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 June, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Giles Lamberd*, citizen and draper, of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickynson*, *Roger Hole*, *William Layer*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Ireland*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Poye*, *George Roberts*, *Robert Peacocke*, *Frauncis Gunter*, *Henry Shawe*, *John Bonde*, *John Ricardes*, *William Stiche* and *Nicholas Hawkisford*, who say that

Giles Lamberd was seized in his demesne as of fee of 1 mansion house without a tenement thereto adjoining lying in a lane called Cosyn Lane in the parish of Allhallows the Great within the City of London, near the street called Thames Street now or late in the occupation of *Thomas Russell*; 1 other mansion house with divers tenements thereto adjoining, lying in the parish of the Blessed Marie Bothawe, near the street called Candelwek street within the said City, now or late in the tenure of *Anthony Edridge* and *Launcelott Bathurste*; 1 tenement called the White Harte lying in the parish of St. Mildred in the Puttrye within the said City, late in the occupation of the relict of — *Slye*, deceased; 1 other house called a Bakehouse lying in the parish of St. Lawrence Poulteney near the street called Thames street, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Baker*; 1 waste piece of land called "A Tenisplace," then situate in a lane called Suffolke Lane in the parish of Allhallows the Less in the said City, now or late in the occupation of *Simon Webbe*; and divers tenements lying in the parishes of St. Saviours and St. Olave in the borough of Southwark, in co. Surrey, now or late in the several tenures of *John Etherupp*, *Edward Dubbar*, *Cornelius Harryson*, *William Coxe*, *Edmunde Candishe*, *William Bonam* and — *Bonam*, widow.

So seised, the said *Giles Lamberd* made his will 1 June, 1581 [*in English*], as follows: I will that for the better payment of my debt to *William Elkyn* for which sum my cousin *Wyckyn* stands bound with me by obligation, if I die before my said cousin be discharged for such sum, then in consideration thereof my said cousin *Wyckyn* shall have to him and his heirs for ever my mansion house with the tenement thereto adjoining situate in Cosyn Lane near Thames street in the

parish of Great Alholhouse in London, now in the occupation of *Thomas Russell*.

I give to *Margery Lamberd* my wife, for life, my mansion house and tenement thereto adjoining lying in the parish of St. Mary Botolfe near Candelweke street in London, now in the occupation of *Anthonye Edridge* and *Launslett Bathurste*; also my tenement in the parish of St. Mildred in the Pultrye, London, now in the occupation of *Widow Slye*, and late of *Gyles Jacobe*, deceased; also my bakehouse in the parish of St. Lawrence Poultney near Thames Street in London, in occupation of *Richard Baker*; also my tenements in the parish of St. Saviour in Southwerke, for life.

I give to my uncle *John Horne* for life £6 yearly, as a rent charge, out of my Tenysplace and the tenement situate in Suffolke Lane in the parish of Little Alhallowes, London. The other £7, parcel of the same rent payable for the said Tenisplace and tenement, in the occupation of *Webbe* and *Ashebe*, I will shall be for the "findinge" of my Godson *Jasper Nicholson* by the disposition of his father or mother during his minority; and after the decease of my said Uncle *Horne* the whole rent of the said Tenisplace and tenement shall be to the said *Jasper Nycholson* and his heirs for ever.

I will that the children of my cousin *Thomas Wyckyn*, now living, as well daughters as sons, shall be co-heirs, and have part and part alike of all the premises appointed for my wife's dower, to be divided immediately after her decease, if in the meantime I have no heir of my body.

I make my said wife and my cousin *Thomas Wyckey* to be my executors, and I give to such of them as shall take the execution thereof my stock in the Company of "Marchauntes of new trades" and I will my freedom of that fellowship to my said cousin. Written this tenth of June, 1581.

The said mansion house and tenement lying in Cosyn Lane are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage, by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The mansion house with divers tenements thereto adjoining lying in the parish of the Blessed Mary Bothawe are held of the Queen in socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The tenement in the parish of St. Mildred in the Poultry and the said bakehouse in the parish of St. Lawrence near Thames street are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £10. The said waste piece of land called a Tenysplace in Suffolk Lane is held of the Queen by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The tenements in the

parishes of St. Saviour and St. Olave in the borough of Southwark are held of the Queen in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d.

Giles Lamberd died 30 August, 23 Eliz. [1581]; *William Lamberde* of Lyncolnes Inne in co. Middlesex, gent., is his brother and next heir, and was then aged 44 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 25 Eliz., No. 44.

Henry Elsing, Citizen and Merchant-tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 13 September, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Henry Elsing*, late citizen and merchant-tailor of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickonson*, *Richard Smythe*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *Edmund Owen*, *William Poye*, *George Roberts*, *John Stoddarde*, *John Bonde*, *Nicholas Hawkesforde*, *George Gynne* and *William Feake*, who say that

Henry Elsing was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that messuage called The Harp on the Hoop, now or late divided into 3 several tenements, in one of which *Frances Elsing* wife of the said *Henry* now dwells: the 2 others are in the tenures of — *Tirrell*, baker, and *Edward Dodding*, "Doctor in the Art of Medicine"; 1 curtilage commonly called a garden plot, once in the tenure of *Thomas Singleton* and late in that of *Richard Johnson*, citizen and salter of London, now deceased, situate in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West, in London, sometime belonging to the late Fraternity of the Blessed Mary founded in the Church of St. Dunstons in the West, now dissolved; all that messuage late in the tenure of *Alice Hopper*, widow, deceased, and now in that of *Henry Payne*, merchant-tailor of London, situate in the said parish of St. Dunstan in the West; all that messuage and garden late commonly called the "Signe of the Bell," and now called the "Signe of the Fyrie Ball," situate in Hounesditch without Aldgate within the parish of St. Botolph in the suburbs of the City of London, late in the tenure of *John Owen*, "gounefounder," and now or late in that of *Thomas Owen*, "gounefounder," brother of the said *John*, formerly parcel of the possessions of *Robert Brockett* of London, baker, deceased, and late parcel of the possessions of the Master, Wardens and Commonalty of the freemen of the "mistry" of bakers of the said City; all that barn with a piece of waste land commonly called the yard, to the said messuage belonging and adjoining in Hounsdiche, late in the tenure of the said *John Owen* and now or late in that of the said *Thomas Owen*, and

formerly parcel of the possessions of the said *Robert Brockett* and of the said Master, Wardens and Commonalty (as above); all that pasture commonly called the Hundred Acres, containing about 60 acres, lying in the parish of St. Pancras *alias* Kentishetowne or St. Andrew, near London, now in the tenure of *John Ricardes*, citizen and armourer of London; all that close or croft of meadow and pasture commonly called the Gubbes Close *alias* Gubbs Croft lying in Uxbridge *alias* Woxbridge *alias* Woxbriggess and in the parish of Hillingdon in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Andience* of Uxbridge, innholder; and all those 2 tenements situate and built upon or near the said close or croft, late in the several tenures of *William Allen* and *John Cobb*, and now or late in that of *William Hitchcott*.

So seised, the said *Henry Elsing* made his will, 27 March, 1582, in English, as follows:—

I give to my wife [not named] my house wherein I now dwell, situate in Fleetestreet, in London, together with all the tables, painted clothes, hangings, shelves, boards and bedsteads now being about my house for her life; also the house *Mr. Tirrell* lives in, for her life.

The messuage in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West called the Harpe on the Hoope and the curtilage are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The tenement now in the tenure of *Henry Payne* in the said parish of St. Dunstan in the West is held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage and garden called the sign of the Bell and now called the sign of the Firye Ball and the barn and piece of waste land, to the said messuage belonging, situate in Hounesdiche, are held of the Queen as of her Priory of Christchurch next the Tower of London, now dissolved, by the yearly rent of 8s. 6d., and are worth per ann., clear, 5 marks. The pasture called the 100 acres in the parish of St. Pancras is held of the Queen in socage as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent, by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £5. The close of meadow and pasture called Gubbs Close in Uxbridge and Hillingdon in co. Middlesex, and the 2 messuages situate and built upon or near the same are held of *Henry Chapman* as of his manor of Cowley Hall by the yearly rent of 3s., and are worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Henry Elsing (named in the writ) died 27 March, 24 Eliz. [1582]; *Henry Elsing* is his son and next heir and was then aged 4 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 25 Eliz., No. 50.

William West, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7th October, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William West*, knight, by the oath of *Robert Diconson*, *Richard Smithe*, *Roger Hole*, *John Harryson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *William Povy*, *George Robertes*, *Robert Peacocke*, *John Ireland*, *John Bonde*, *John Rickardes*, *William Stiche* and *Nicholas Hawkesford*, who say that

William West, knight, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 5 messuages situate in Smythefilde in the parish of St. Sepulchre without Newgate, London, which were late one capital messuage called the Olivaunt.

So seised the said *William West* made his will 7 December, 1557, as follows [here given in English]: I give all my manors, lands, tenements and hereditaments as well freehold as copyhold to *Edmond* my son and his heirs for ever, and I make the said *Edmond* sole executor.

The said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £5.

William West died about the 10th day of November, 5 and 6 Philip and Mary [1558]; *Dorothy* now the wife of *Lionel Wombewell*, and *Anne* now the wife of *Nicholas Harvy* are his kinswomen and next co-heirs, viz., daughters and heirs of *Laudovicus West*, son and heir of the said *William West*, knight, and were then aged respectively, the said *Dorothy* 9 years and the said *Anne* 8 years.

Immediately after the death of the said *William West*, the said *Edmond* entered the said premises and took the profits thereof.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Eliz., vol. 201, No. 75.

Walter Coppinger, Citizen and Mercer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 September, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blanck*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Walter Coppinger*, citizen and mercer of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Richard Smithe*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *William Povy*, *George Roberdes*, *John Stoddarde*, *William Feake*, *John Bonde* and *Nicholas Hawkesforde*, who say that

Walter Coppinger was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages, with the shops, cellars, &c., &c., thereto belonging, situate in the parish.

of St. Michael in Cornehill within the City of London, now in the several tenures of *Thomas Burdet*, citizen and haberdasher of London, and *William Hamonde* citizen and vintner of London: which said messuages are held in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £5.

Walter Coppinger died in the said City of London, 31 December last past; *Walter Coppinger* is his son and next heir and was then aged 20 years and more: he is still in full life.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Eliz., vol. 201, No. 105.

Robert Walker, Citizen and Innholder.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 September, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blanck*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Robert Walker*, citizen and innholder of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickonson*, *Richard Smithe*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *William Poye*, *Henry Webbe*, *George Robertes*, *John Oldam*, *William Feake*, *Robert Peacocke*, *John Bonde*, *John Rickards* and *Nicholas Hawkesforde*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Robert Walker*, King Edward 6 was seised in his demesne as of fee in right of his Crown of England of 1 messuage with the houses, buildings, shops, &c., thereto belonging, late in the tenure of *Thomas Forster*, situate in the parish of St. Martin within Ludgate, London, and to the late Chantry called Morreis Chauntrye, founded in the Cathedral Church of St. Paul in London sometime belonging and late being parcel of the possessions thereof.

So seised, the said King afterwards, *viz.*, on the 24th day of August, in the 3rd year of his reign [1549] by Letters Patent dated at Westminster the same day and year, for a certain sum of money therein expressed gave the said premises, *inter alia*, to *William Saul* and *William Bridges*, gentlemen, to hold the same to them and their heirs for ever of the said King in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief.

Afterwards, the said *William Saul* and *William Bridges* by their Charter of feoffment dated 7 September, 3 Edw. 6 [1549], for a competent and reasonable sum of money to them paid by *Lewis Tidder*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, granted the said premises to the said *Lewis* and his heirs for ever.

So seised the said *Lewis Tidder*, by indenture dated 12 February, 19 Eliz. [1577], made between himself of the one part and *Robert*

Walker, citizen and innholder, of the other part and afterwards enrolled in the Court of Chancery on the 17th February in the said year, for the sum of £300 paid by the said *Robert* to the said *Lewis* gave the said messuage by the name of all those 2 messuages, as now they are divided, formerly being 1 messuage, with all the houses, buildings, shops, &c., thereto belonging situate in the parish of St. Martin within Ludgate, London, formerly in the tenure of *Thomas Forster* and now in the several tenures of *David Dunkyn*, merchant tailor, and *Robert Twessell*, haberdasher, to the said *Robert Walker* and his heirs for ever.

So seised, the said *Robert Walker* on the 14th day of November, 1582, made his will in English as follows: I give my freehold lands, tenements and hereditaments in England to *George Sayers*, alias *Walker*, my daughter's son, and to the heirs of his body; and for default, the same to remain to *Laurens Walker* and *Anthony Walker* my brothers and their heirs for ever.

The said messuage lately divided into 2 messuages, one of which is now called the Green Dragon, and other the premises are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief and are worth per ann., clear, £7.

Robert Walker died 24 November, 25 Eliz. [1582], at London; the said *George Sayers* is his kinsman and next heir, viz., son of *Margaret Sayers*, wife of *George Sayers*, deceased, the only daughter of the said *Robert Walker*, and was then aged 18 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 25 Eliz., vol. 201, No. 140.

Elizabeth Tapping, Widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 June, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Elizabeth Tappinge* of London, widow, by the oath of *Robert Dickynson*, *Roger Hole*, *William Layer*, *John Harryson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Ireland*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Poye*, *George Robertes*, *Robert Peacock*, *Frauncis Gunter*, *Henry Shawe*, *John Bonde*, *John Richardes*, *William Stiche* and *Nicholas Hawkysford*, who say that

Elizabeth Tappinge was seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 messuage in the parish of the Blessed Mary Abchurche in the City of London, in the street called Candelwicke Streete, called the Black Lyon; also of divers lands and tenements lying in the town of Estgrenewiche in co. Kent.

So seised, the said *Elizabeth Tappinge* made her will 27 July, 1582,

as follows [here given in English]: I give to *Joan Jackson* and *Susanne Jackson* late the daughters of my brother-in-law *William Jackson* and *Joan Jackson* his wife my sister, now deceased, my messuage with all the houses, gardens, orchards, &c., now in the tenure of the Right Honorable *Lord Howard* Lord of Effingham situate in Estgrenewiche: to hold to them and the heirs of their bodies, and for default, the remainder thereof to *Thomas, Edward* and *Clement Burles*, my brothers, and their heirs for ever. I give to *John Burles*, my brother, my messuage, with all the houses, gardens, &c., now in the tenure of *Widow Pope*, situate in Estgrenewiche, and all other my messuages, lands and hereditaments there: to hold all the same premises to the said *John Burles* and his heirs for ever on condition that he shall pay to my said brothers *Thomas, Edward* and *Clement Burles* £10 each, and to *Mary Watson* my sister £10, at his discretion.

I will that the said *John Burles* shall sell my messuage now in the tenure of *Edward Clarke*, "ventirer" situate in Candelwicke street in the parish of St. Mary Abchurch in London towards the payment of the debts of *James Tappinge* my husband, deceased, also my debts: the residue thereof to be equally divided amongst my said 3 brothers.

The said messuage in the parish of the Blessed Mary Abchurch called the Blacke Lyon is held of the Queen in chief, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and is worth per ann., clear, £4 13s. 4d. The lands and tenements in the town of East Greenwich are held of *William Lambert* as of his manor of Westcombe in free socage, and are worth per ann., clear, £10.

Elizabeth Tapping died 28 September, 24 Eliz. [1582]; *John Burles* is her brother and next heir, and was then aged 56 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 25 Eliz., vol. 202, No. 167.

Thomas Cokkys, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 29 June, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Cokkys*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Richard Smythe*, *Roger Hole*, *John Harryson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *Griffin Jones*, *William Povey*, *Henry Webb*, *George Robertes*, *Thomas Bonde*, *John Rickardes*, *William Stiche* and *Nicholas Hawkesford*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Thomas Cokkys* a certain *John Cokkys*, senior, citizen and leatherseller of London, father of the said *Thomas*, was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that messuage

called the Three Fannes with gardens, &c., situate in the parish of All Saints in the Wall of the City of London, abutting on the north side on the Queen's highway, on the south side upon the lands of Shuxburgh, on the east side upon a tenement belonging to London Bridge, and on the west side upon a tenement belonging to the Art of the Leathersellers of London, late divided into several tenements.

So seised, the said *John* by his charter of enfeoffment dated 18 March, 15 Hen. 8 [1524], gave and confirmed to *John Scragges*, leather-seller, *John Aleyn*, armourer, *Stephen Reding*, skinner, and *Simon Goldesmithe*, blacksmith, citizens of London, and to *John Clerke* of Southwerke, in co. Surrey, brewer, *John Loffkin* of the same, barber, *William Saunder* of the same, brewer, *William Smert* of Southwerke, cordwainer, *John Cokkys*, junior, and *William Cokkys*, sons of the said *John Cokkys*, all the messuage and gardens abovesaid, to hold the same to them and their heirs for ever, to the use of *Etheldrede*, wife of the said *John Cokkys*, senior, and to the heirs of her body by the same *John* for ever, and for default, to the use of the fulfilment of his last will if he should make one: otherwise to the use of himself and his heirs for ever.

So seised, the said *John Cokkys*, senior, and *Ethelrede* had issue *Thomas Cokkys*, who after their decease by virtue of the said charter and of the Statute of Uses entered the said premises and was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee tail.

The said messuage late divided into several tenements and the said gardens and other the premises called the Three Fannes are held of the Queen for the rent of 1*d.* yearly, and are worth per ann., clear, £9.

Thomas Cokkys died 20 May, 25 Eliz. [1583], in the parish of All Saints on the Wall, in London, without issue of his body; *Katherine Packington*, wife of *Richard Packington*, citizen and salter of London, and *Elizabeth Kemp*, wife of *Thomas Kempe*, gent., are his kinsfolk and next heirs, viz., daughters and heirs of *John Cokkys*, junior, brother of the said *Thomas Cokkys*, son of *John Cokkys*, senior, and the said *Katherine* and *Elizabeth* are now both aged 40 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 25 Eliz., vol. 202, No. 189.

David Morgan ap Thomas.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 6 October, 26 Eliz. [1584] before *Edward Osbourne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *David Morgan ap Thomas*, citizen and sadler of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Richard Smith*, *Roger Hole*, *John*

Harrison, Thomas Russell, John Irelande, George Gynne, William Poye, Peter Legatt, John Stoddarde, William Feake, William Styche, John Ricardes, William Coke, John Adlyn, William Crowche, Henry Farrington and John Jackson, who say that

David Morgan ap Thomas was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and 1 garden, now or late called the Bell with the "standing Swerde," lying in the parish of St. Bridget in Fleetstreet now or late in the tenure of *Margaret Morgan*, widow; 1 messuage with shops, &c., late in the tenure of *John Berde* and sometime in that of *Stephen Colson*, merchant tailor, lying in the said parish, and lately purchased of *George Keynsham*, esq.; 1 messuage and tenement late in the occupation of the said *David Morgan ap Thomas* situate in Fletestrete in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West, lately purchased of *Thomas Brende*, citizen and writer of London; also 1 messuage tenement or house with all shops, &c., lying in Fletestrete in the said parish of St. Dunstan in the West, adjoining the west side of the messuage wherein *David Morgan ap Thomas* dwelt, and late in the tenure of the said *David*, and late purchased of *Humphrey Applegarth* and *Helen* his wife.

The messuage with the garden called the Bell with the standing Swerde in the said parish of St. Bridget is held of the Queen in free burgage, and is worth per ann., clear, £6. The messuage in the said parish purchased of *George Keynsham* is held of the Queen in free burgage and is worth per ann., clear, £3. The messuages in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West late in the tenure of the said *David Morgan* are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

David Morgan ap Thomas died 18 March, 23 Eliz. [1581]; *Henry Morgan* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 20 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 26 Eliz., vol. 203, No. 54.

Robert Stokes, Citizen and Haberdasher.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 9 April, 26 Eliz. [1584], before *Edward Osborne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Robert Stokes*, citizen and haberdasher, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson, Roger Hole, John Harryson, John Jackson, William Povie, Henry Webb, George Robertes, Peter Legatt, John Stoddard, William Feeke, John Bond, John Rycardes, William Cooke, William Crowche, Anthony Barbor and Robert Durham*, who say that

Robert Stokes was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage in the parish of St. Martin Orgar within the City of London, late

in the occupation of *Anthony Throgmorton*; 1 messuage and 1 house or tenement thereto adjoining lying in the parish of St. Bartholomew the Less in the ward of Brodstreete in the said City, now or late in the tenure of *Dunstan Walton*; 1 messuage in the lane of St. Martin called St. Martin's lane in the said parish of St. Martin le Orger now or late in the tenure of *John Hawes*; 2 messuages in the parish of St. Laurence Poultney now or late in the several tenures of *Anthony Bell* and *Reginald Park*; also in his demesne as of fee of the reversion of 1 capital messuage in the parish of St. George the Less in the lane called Buttolph Lane next Eastcheape in London, late in the tenure of *Dame Blanche Forman*, widow, and now in that of *John Brooke*; also of the reversion of 2 small messuages in the parish of St. Bartholomew the Less now or late in the tenure of *Henry Evans*: which said capital messuage and the said 2 small tenements last recited a certain *John Roche* now has and holds for the term of his life as tenant by the law of England, the remainder thereof after the death of the said *John Roche* to the said *Robert Stokes* and his heirs for ever.

The said capital messuage in the parish of St. Martin Orgar is held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, £8. The tenements in the parish of St. Bartholomew the Less are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The messuage in the lane of St. Martin le Orgar is held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, £5. The capital messuage in the parish of St. George the Less in Buttolph Lane late in the tenure of *Dame Blanche Forman* is held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of 1 knight's fee, and by the yearly rent of 5s. 4d., and is worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d. The 2 messuages in the parish of St. Bartholomew the Less are held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Robert Stokes died 26 September, 25 Eliz. [1583]; *Samuel Stokes* is his son and next heir and is now aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 26 Eliz., vol. 204, No. 129.

Gabriel Colston, Citizen and Grocer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 24 October, 26 Eliz. [1584], before *Edward Osborne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Gabriel Colston*, citizen and grocer of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Roger Hole*, *John Harryson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *William Poye*, *George Robertes*, *John Stoddarde*, *John*

Bonde, William Stiche, Nicholas Hawkesforde, John Ricardes, William Cooke, Stephen Porter, William Crowche, Edmund Owen, and John Jackson, who say that

Gabriel Colston was seised in his demesne as of fee of all those 3 messuages lying in the street called Frydayestreate in the parish of St. Margaret Moyses in the City of London, late in the several tenures of the said *Gabriel Colston* and of *John Howlande*, citizen and salter of the said City: which said messuages the said *Gabriel Colston* lately purchased to him and his heirs of *Edward Barthelett* of Lincoln's Inn in co. Middlesex, son and heir of *Thomas Barthelett*, late citizen and stationer of London, deceased.

The said premises are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and by the yearly rent of 13s. 4d. : they are worth per ann., clear, £4 10s.

Gabriel Colston died 16 July, last past; *Raphaell Colston* is his son and next heir and was then aged 24 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 26 Eliz., vol. 204, No. 131.

Sir Thomas Walsingham, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 9 April, 26 Eliz. [1584], before *Edward Osborne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Walsingham*, knight, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Roger Hole*, *John Harrison*, *John Jackson*, *William Poyve*, *Henry Webbe*, *George Robertes*, *Peter Legate*, *John Stoddarde*, *William Feake*, *John Bonde*, *John Ricardes*, *William Crowche*, *Anthony Barbor* and *Robert Durham*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Thomas Walsingham* King Henry VIII., father of the Queen that now is, was seised in his demesne as of fee in the right of his Crown of England of 8 messuages, lying in the parish of the Blessed Mary of Bow in the ward of Cheape, London, now in the several tenures of *Richard Graunger*, *Ralph Carkett*, *Ralph Blackamore*, *Thomas Harbart*, *William Bonner*, *George Hewes*, *Andrew Moore* and *Henry Field*: all which said messuages belonged to the late dissolved monastery or priory of Newarke in co. Surrey; and 1 other messuage situate in the parish of St. Nicholas Coldabbey in the ward of Queenshyve, London, now in the tenure of *William Pennington*, to the said monastery belonging.

So seised, the said King by his letters patent dated at Berechurch 22 July in the 31st year of his reign [1539], in consideration of the good and faithful service which *Edmund Walsingham*, knight father of

the said *Thomas*, had done to the said King, of his special grace granted to the said *Edmund*, *inter alia*, all the said premises to hold to him and the heirs male of his body, by pretext whereof the said *Edmund* was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee tail. After the death of the said *Edmund* all the said premises descended to *Thomas Walsingham*, knight, named in the said writ, as son and heir male of the said *Edmund*.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee and by the rent of £4 11s. 4d., and are worth per ann., clear, £40 6s. 8d.

Thomas Walsingham died 15 January last past; *Edmund Walsingham*, esq., is the heir male of his body and is now aged 26 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 26 *Eliz.*, vol. 204, No. 138.

Barnard Randolphe, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 9 April, 26 *Eliz.* [1584], before *Edward Osborne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Barnard Randolphe*, esq., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Roger Hole*, *John Harrison*, *John Jackson*, *William Poye*, *Henry Webbe*, *George Robertes*, *Peter Legate*, *John Stoddarde*, *William Feeke*, *John Bonde*, *John Richardes*, *William Crowche*, *Anthony Barbor* and *Robert Durham* who say that

Long before the death of the said *Barnard Randolph* one *George Blithe* late of London, esq., was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages and 1 garden situate at Lambarde hill near the old Fish-market in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene, London, *viz.*, to the lane leading from Lambarde hill to the Thames towards the east, to the cemetery there towards the south, to the messuage of *John Cotten*, cloth worker, towards the north and to the messuage late of *Anthony Penne* then deceased towards the west; and 1 stable lying in Doe Litle Lane in the said parish of St. Mary Magdalen.

So seised, the said *George Blithe* by deed dated 13 October, 16 *Eliz.* [1574], enfeofed thereof the said *Barnard Randolphe* and one *Lancelot Batherste*, citizen and grocer of London: to hold to them and their heirs for ever, by virtue whereof the said *Barnard* and *Lancelot* were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee.

So seised, the said *Barnard Randolphe* by indenture dated 12 May, 22 *Eliz.* [1580], made between himself of the one part and *Robert Harris* of St. John Street in co. Middlesex, esq., *Thomas Foster* of St. John

Street aforesaid, gent., *Richard Smith* of the City of London, fishmonger, *William Carewe* of the same City, draper, the said *Lancelot Batherste* of the same, grocer, and *David Lewes* of the same, scrivener, of the other part, as well for the promotion of his children as for the preservation of his inheritance in his blood agreed with the said *Robert Harris*, *Thomas Foster* and the others that he and all others who should hereafter be seised of the said premises should be thereof seised to the use of him the said *Barnard Randolph* for the term of his natural life; after his decease, to the use of *John Randolph*, son and heir apparent of the said *Barnard*, for his life; after his decease, then to the use of *Herbert Randolph* eldest son of the said *John* and the heirs male of his body; for default, then to the use of the second son of the body of the said *John* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of all and each of the other sons of the body of the said *John Randolph*, and their heirs male; for default, to the use of *Judith Batherste* daughter of the said *Barnard Randolph*, then wife of the said *Lancelot Batherste* and her heirs; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Judith* for ever. By pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Barnard Randolph* was *inter alia* seised of the moiety of 2 messuages, 1 garden and stable in his demesne as of free tenement for his life, with remainders as above, and the said *Lancelot Batherste* was likewise seised of the other moiety of the said premises in his demesne as of fee.

The said *John Randolph* died at London, 25 April, 25 Eliz. [1583].

The said 2 messuages are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, *viz.*, by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and the moiety of the said 2 messuages and garden is worth per ann., clear, £3. The said stable is held of the Queen in socage as of her manor of East Greenwich by fealty only, and the moiety of the said stable is worth per ann., clear, 10s.

Barnard Randolph died 7 August, 25 Eliz. [1583] at Lambardes hill; *Herbert Randolph* is his kinsman and heir, *viz.*, son and heir of the said *John Randolph*, son and heir of the said *Barnard*, and was then aged 4 years, 1 month and 27 days.

Chan. Inq. p. m., 26 Eliz., vol. 205, No. 171.

Edmund Bragge.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 15 Oct., 27 Eliz. [1585], after the death of *Edmund Bragge* late of the City of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *Richard Smithe*, *Roger Hole*, *John Harryson*,

John Jackson, John Irelande, William Poye, John Bonde, George Roberts, William Cooke, William Crowche, Edmund Owen, Stephen Porter, Peter Noxton and Nicholas Hawkesford, who say that

The said *Edward* was seised in his demesne of 15 messuages situate in a certain lane called Showelane in the parish of St. Bride *alias* Bridgett near Fleet Streete in the suburbs of the said City, then in the several tenures of *James Nokes, Augustus Stodderd, Robert Drake, Philip Kettell, John Gare, Thomas Griffyn, Henry Cockins, John Leycocke, Edward Martyn, Francis Ferrer, Elizabeth Jnsalke (Insalke ?) widow, Christopher Wynter, William Smithe, William Yerbe and Thomas Hodges*; 1 stable, 1 yard thereto adjoining, 1 garden formerly 4 gardens, lying in or near the said Showelane, then in the occupation of the said *Edmund*.

So seised, the said *Edmund* by his charter dated 28 April, 21 Eliz. [1579] made between himself and *Elizabeth* then his wife, of the one part, and *Paul Pope*, writer, and *Thomas Pope*, merchant tailor, citizens of London, of the other part, agreed for himself and his heirs that he and the said *Elizabeth*, in consideration of a certain marriage then hereafter to be had between a certain *Roger Bragge*, son and heir apparent of the said *Edmund Bragge*, and *Joan Pope*, daughter of the said *Paul Pope*, that they within 1 year would convey to the said *Paul* and *Thomas Pope* and their heirs for ever all the said premises to the use of the said *Edmund Bragge* for his life, and after his decease and the solemnization of the said marriage to the use of the said *Roger Bragge* and *Joan Pope* and the heirs of their bodies; for default, to the use of the said *Roger* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of *Edward Bragge* 2nd son of the said *Edmund* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of the said *Edmund Bragge* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of *Susanna Fitchet* and the heirs of her body; and for default, to the use of the said *Edmund Bragge* and his heirs for ever.

So seised the said *Edmund Bragge* and *Elizabeth* by charter, dated 30 April, 21 Eliz. [1579] (enrolled in the Court of Hustings), gave all the said premises to the said *Paul* and *Thomas Pope*: to hold to them and the heirs of the said *Paul* for ever, to the uses mentioned in the said charter of the 28th of April. By virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Edmund Bragge* was seised of the said tenements in his demesne as of freehold for his life, with remainder as abovesaid.

The said *Edmund Bragge* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage, 1 stable and 2 yards situate in or near Fleetstreet in the said parish of St. Brides, then and still in the tenure of *Henry Jones*,

gent.; 1 messuage and 1 cellar in Fleetstreet in the said parish, then and still in the tenure of *William Harveye*; 1 messuage in Fleetstreet then and still in the tenure of *Kellam Cooke*; 1 messuage there, then or late in the tenure of *Walter Gunter*; 1 messuage there in the occupation of the said *Edmund Bragge*; 1 shop there to the said messuage annexed, then and still in the tenure of *Bartholomew Partridge*; 1 messuage there in the tenure of *Tomasine Cosyn*, widow; 1 messuage, then in the occupation of *Richard Causeye*, situate in the said parish, between the messuage late in the occupation of the said *Edmund Bragge* of the one part and the cemetery of St. Bridget of the other part; 1 other messuage in the said parish, then in the occupation of *Richard Fytchett*, between the said tenement late in the occupation of the said *Edmund Bragge* of the one part and the said cemetery of the other part; 1 messuage in Fleetstreet in the parish of St. Martin next Ludgate called by the name of le Flower de luce, late in the tenure of *Geoffrey Pond*; and 1 other messuage in Fleetstreet, sometime in the occupation of *Robert Shonke* and now in that of *John Buckley*. The premises in and near Showelane, the said garden sometime 4 gardens only excepted, are held of the Queen in free socage, by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £40. The said garden is held of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief, and is worth 20s. The premises in the occupation of the said *Henry Jones* and those in that of the said *William Harvy* are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The premises now or late in the tenure of the said *Kellam Cooke*, *Walter Gunter*, *Edmund Bragge*, *Bartholomew Partridge*, *Tomasyn* *Cosyn*, *Richard Causeye*, *Richard Fytchet*, *Geoffrey Pond* and *John Buckley* are held of the Queen in free burgage, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £30.

Edmund Bragge died 19 June last past; the said *Roger Bragge* is his son and next heir, and is now aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 206, No. 6.

Elizabeth Roche.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 25 May, 27 Eliz. [1585], before *William Necton*, gent., feodary of City of London, and *Humphrey Donnett*, gent., commissioners assigned to enquire after the death of *Elizabeth Roche*, late the wife of *John Roche*, Esq., sole daughter and heir of *William Forman*, Knight, formerly citizen and alderman of London, by the oath of *Anthony Hall*, *Edward Sennyor*,

Jeronimus Daulton, William Osborne, John Evans, Thomas Donwell, Richard Taylor, Giles Griffith, Richard Bowles, Peter Dodd, John Dyxon, and William Leycrofte, who say that

The said *Elizabeth Roche* was seised as of fee of the reversion of 5 messuages and tenements situate in the parish of St. Laurence Pountney within the said City of London, now in the several tenures of *William Swingfield*: which said messuages and tenements the said *William Forman* formerly purchased of *Thomas Bochier*, gent.; and of the reversion of 1 capital messuage and 2 small messuages situate in the parish of St. Bartholomew the Less, now in the tenure of *Thomas Daunser*; and of the reversion of 4 messuages adjoining each other in the parish of St. Michael next Queenhithe, London, extending to the market called the *Queenehithe* towards the south, and the highway called *Queenhith* towards the north, and the tenement of *Humphrey Huntley* towards the west, and a small lane there leading to the said market of *Queenhith* towards the east, now or late in the several tenures of *Ralph Wheeler*, grocer, *Thomas Shelborne*, *Arthur Breyne*, gent., and *George Wheeler*, merchant tailor: which said premises the said *William Forman* formerly purchased of *Thomas Ryshton*, serjeant at law; and of the reversion of 4 messuages, lying in the parishes of St. Martin le Orgar and St. Laurence Pountney in the said City now or late in the tenure of *John Hawes*, clothworker, *Anthony Throgmorton*, and *Reginald Parke*: which said premises the said *William Forman*, knight, formerly purchased of *George Hyde*, esq.

A certain *Dame Blanch Forman*, widow, sometime the wife of the said *William Forman* on the day of the death of the said *Elizabeth Roche* was seised of the said premises in the said several parishes in her demesne as of free tenement for her jointure, as in the inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 1 Edw. 6 [1547], after the death of the said *William Forman*, knight, more fully appears, and took the profits thereof to her own use, the reversion thereof belonging to the said *Elizabeth*.

The said *Elizabeth Roche* was seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 messuage lying in the parish of St. Leonard Estchepe, now in the tenure of *Richard Bingham*; 1 messuage lying in Canwiche Street in the parish of the Blessed Mary Abchurch, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Barefoote*; 2 other messuages situate in the parish of St. Bartholomew the Less, now or late in the tenure of the said *John Roche*; 2 messuages lying in the parish of St. Martin Owtwich, London, now in the several tenures of *John Westuraye*, *Margaret Warren*, *William Mydyeley*, *Richard Harris*, *Elizabeth Bushe*, *Alexander White* and *John Pinkard*; and 1 capital messuage situate in the parish

of St. George next Estchepe, now or late in the tenure of *Peter Costen*, foreign merchant; and 1 other messuage and divers lands, meadows, feedings and pastures in Edlemeton in co. Middx., now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Farvys*; 1 other messuage and divers lands, meadows, feedings and pastures in Mycham in co. Surrey, now in the tenure of *Edmund Muschampe*.

The said *Elizabeth*, being so seised, married the said *John Roche*, Esq., by whom she had issue *Brian Roche* deceased, and died so seised without heir of her body surviving; after whose death the said *John Roche* held himself sole in the premises and took the profits thereof to his own use.

The said premises in the several parishes of St. Bartholomew the Less, St. Michael, St. Martin le Orgar and St. Lawrence Pountney of the reversion whereof the said *Elizabeth* was seised only are worth per ann., clear, £52, and are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only.

The said *Dame Blanch Forman* died at London, 20 Sept., 5 Eliz. [1563].

The said premises in the said parishes of St. Leonard in Estchepe, St. Martin le Orgar, St. Mary Abchurch, St. Bartholomew the Less and St. Martin Owtwych, are worth nothing per ann. during the life of the said *John Roche*, and after his decease £26 6s. 8d., and are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only. The said messuage in the parish of St. George next Estchepe is worth per ann., clear, nothing during the life of the said *John Roche*, knight, and after his decease £3, and is held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of 1 knight's fee and the yearly rent of 5s. 4d. The said tenement in Mycham is worth per ann., clear, nothing during the life of the said *John Roche*, and after his decease 40s., but of whom it is held the jurors know not. The messuage in Edlemeton is worth per ann., clear, nothing during the life of the said *John Roche*, and after his decease £6, and is held of the Queen by fealty and the rent of 8d., as of her manor of Edlemeton in co. Middx. in socage.

Elizabeth Roche died at Hornechurche in co. Essex the last day of August, 4 and 5 Philip and Mary; *William Morgan* of London, gent., is her kinsman and next heir, viz., son and heir of *Richard Morgan*, son and heir of *Maurice Morgan* and *Elizabeth* his wife, sister of *William Forman*, knight, father of the said *Elizabeth Roche*, and is now aged 46 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 206, No. 28.

Samuel Stookes.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall . . . February, 27 Eliz. [1585], before *Thomas Pullison*, esq., Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Samuel Stookes*, by the oath of *Robert . . . Richard Smythe, John Harryson, John Ireland, Henry Webbe,* . . . Feake, Francis Gunter, John Bonde, William Layer, William Stiche, John Crowche, George Newball, William* . . . John Hill and William Crowche*, who say that . . .

Samuel Stookes was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage lying . . . Orgar within the City of London, late in the tenure of *Anthony Throgmorton* . . . messuage or tenement lying in the lane of St. Martins called St. Martens Lane in the said parish, now or late in the tenure of *John Hawes*; also of the reversion of 1 capital messuage lying in the parish of St. George the Less in the lane called Botolphe Lane next East Cheape, late in the tenure of *Dame Blanche Forman*, widow, and now in that of *John Brooke*: which said capital messuage *John Rooche*, esq., has and holds for life by the law of England, the remainder thereof after the death of the said *John Rooche* being to the said *Samuel Stookes* and his heirs for ever: which said *John Rooche* still survives.

The said capital messuage in the said parish of St. Martin Orgar is held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, £8. The messuage lying in St. Martin's Lane is held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, £5. The capital messuage in the parish of St. George the Less in Buttolphe Lane is held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of one knight's fee, and by the yearly rent of 5s. 4d., and is worth per ann., clear, 43s. 4d.

Samuel Stookes died 29 August last past; *Martha* now the wife of *Francis Dutton* and *Maria Rooke*, widow, late the wife of *Robert Rooke*, are his sisters and next coheirs of the whole blood: the said *Martha* was aged at the time of the death of the said *Samuel* her brother 30 years and more, and the said *Mary* was then aged 28 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 207, No. 87.

John Crane, gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 29 November, 28 Eliz. [1585], before *Wolstan Dixie*, Mayor of the City of London, after the death of *John Crane*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson, Richard*

* Document torn away.

Smith, Roger Hall, John Harrison, John Jackson, John Ireland, William Povi, George Robertes, John Bond, William Styche, William Cooke, William Harvi, William Laire, William Crowch, Edmund Owine, Peter Noxton, John Hawkesford and Robert Elder, who say that

Long before the death of the said *John Crane* King Henry VIII was seised in his demesne as of fee in right of his Crown of England of 10 tenements with the gardens thereto adjoining late in the several tenures of *John Parker, Guy Crayforde, Hugh Vaughan, Edward Brysselye, Margaret Dalton, John Barnarde, Richard Herman, John Harroppe* and *Adrian Biscombe* lying together within the close and precincts of the late priory of St. Elene within the said City of London then dissolved and late belonging to the same; also of 3 rooms late in the several tenures of *William Damarall* and *Emma Lawe*, situate within the said close and precinct; also of 6 rooms late in the several tenures of *Richard Atkyns, Alice Paule, Reginald Deane, Elizabeth Watson* and *William Crane, esq.*, lying together in a certain alley within the said close of the said late priory; also all that tenement then in the tenure of *John Parker* situate within the said close in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft there, also belonging to the said late priory. So seised the said King by Letters Patent dated at Westminster 3 March, in the 31st year of his reign, in consideration of the faithful service which the said *William Crane, esq.*, had rendered to him, granted to the said *William* and *Margaret* his wife all the said premises, to hold to them and the heirs male of the body of the said *William Crane*, of the King by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee and paying therefore yearly 34s. 8d. at the Court of Augmentation, by pretext whereof the said *William* and *Margaret* were seised of the said premises. The said *Margaret* survived the said *William* and died 19 August, 5 and 6 Philip and Mary [1558]. After her death all the said premises descended to the said *John Crane* (named in the writ) as son and heir male of the said *William Crane*: which said *John* attained his full age and did fealty to the Queen and had full seisin of the said premises delivered to him by the escheator of the said City, as by Letters Patent dated 20 November, 2 Eliz. [1559] more fully appears.

The said premises are held of the Queen by the said service, and are worth per ann., clear, £15 12s.

John Crane died 1 November last past; *John Crane* is his son and heir male, and was aged 8 years on the 25th day of June last past.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 208, No. 185.

Elizabeth Lowe, widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 29 May, 27 Eliz. [1585], before *Thomas Pullison*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Elizabeth Lowe*, widow, by the oath of *Robert Dyckonson*, *Roger Hoole*, *John Harrison*, *William Povy*, *William Stytcche*, *Nicholas Hawkysforth*, *William Coocke*, *William Crowch*, *Thomas Smyth*, *Edmund Owen*, *Stephen Porter*, *John Stoddarde*, *George Robbertes* and *John Ireland*, who say that

Elizabeth Lowe was seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 messuage with 2 shops thereto belonging, lying in Olde Fish street in London, now or late in the tenure of *William Milner*, fishmonger; also all that messuage to the same messuage adjoining called le signe of the Swane now or late in the tenure of *Henry Peirson*; also 1 messuage called le Gullett lying in Olde Fisshe street now or late in the tenure of *Lancelot Playse*; 1 shop under the said tenement called le Gullett now or late in the tenure of *John Lardge*; 1 messuage in Distaffe Lane now or late in the occupation of the said *John Lardge*: all which said premises the said *Elizabeth Low* purchased during her widowhood of the gift of *Phame Becher*, gent., as by charter dated 27 October, 18 Eliz. [1576] more fully appears.

So seised, the said *Elizabeth Lowe* made her will dated 27 April, 1585, and thereby gave all those 4 messuages above specified to *Margaret Banckes* her kinswoman, wife of *Edward Banckes* and her heirs for ever.

The said *Elizabeth Lowe* was likewise seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 other messuage lying in Distaffe Lane, now or late in the tenure of *William Burford*; and 1 other tenement there now or late in the occupation of *Nicholas Hawes*: which said messuages the said *Elizabeth Lowe* purchased of the gift of the same *Phame Becher*, as by charter dated 27 October, 18 Eliz. [1576] more fully appears.

So seised, the said *Elizabeth* by her said will gave the said 2 tenements to *Elizabeth Wright* her kinswoman, wife of *John Wright*, junior, and to her heirs for ever.

The said 4 messuages are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The said 2 tenements are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Elizabeth Lowe died 8 May last past; *Elizabeth Leighe*, kinswoman of the said *Elizabeth Lowe*, is her heir, and was then aged 13 years and more.

The said *Edward Banckes* and *Margaret* his wife, and *John Wright*,

junior, and *Elizabeth* his wife took the issues of the said premises by virtue of the said will.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 208, No. 223.

Richard Colmer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 27 Eliz. [1585], before *Thomas Pullyson*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Richard Colmer*, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Roger Hoel*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Ireland*, *William Povey*, *George Robertes*, *John Bond*, *William Cooke*, *William Harvey*, *William Layer*, *William Crowche*, *Edmund Owen*, *Peter Noxton* and *Nicholas Hawkesforde*, who say that

Richard Colmer was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called the Bisshops head lying in the parish of St. Stephen in Colman street, London, in the tenure of *Richard Wrenche*; and 1 other messuage sometime parcel of the said tenement called the Bisshops head, lying in Colman street in the said parish, in the ward of Colman street, in the hands and custody of *Edmund Saracole*; 1 curtilage called a carpenter's yard, late parcel of the said tenement, lying in Colman street in the tenure of *Peter Strete*.

So seised, the said *Richard Colmer* made his will dated 6 April, 27 Eliz. [1585], and thereby gave all the said premises to *Cicillie* his wife and her heirs for ever.

The said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, 100s.

Richard Colmer died 7 April last past; *Jasper Colmer* is his son and next heir, and is aged 27 years and more.

The said *Cicillia* has taken all the profits of the said premises from the death of the said *Richard* up to the taking of this Inquisition.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 208, No. 240.

Vincent Goddard, gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 1 December, 28 Eliz. [1585], before *Wolstan Dixie*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Vincent Goddard*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dyckenson*, *Richard Smyth*, *Roger Hole*, *John Jackson*, *John Ireland*, *William Povey*, *John Bond*, *William Stytche*, *William Cooke*, *William Harvy*, *William Layer*, *William Crowche*, *Edmond Owen* and *Robert Elder*, who say that

Vincent Goddard was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage sometime called the Candelhouse and 1 garden formerly demised to *William Wolberd* or in his tenure, situate within and next the site of the late dissolved priory or new hospital of the Blessed Mary without Bysshoppesgate, London, in the parish of St. Botolph without Bysshopsgate, London, now or late in the tenure of *William Goddard*, gent., as by a deed dated 6 December, 17 Eliz. [1574], more fully appears.

The said messuage and garden, together with 3 other houses, 1 parcel of waste ground and 2 walls of brick to the said tenements near adjoining in the said parish, which King Henry VIII by his Letters Patent dated 28 June in the 32nd year of his reign [1590] gave *inter alia* to *Christopher Campyon*, citizen and mercer of London, and his heirs, are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of one knight's fee. The said messuage and garden are worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Vincent Goddard died 10 July last past; *William Goddard* is his son and next heir and is now aged 27 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 209, No. 9.

Godfrey Isburd.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 February, 28 Eliz. [1586], before *Wolstan Dixe*, knight, Mayor and escheator after the death of *Godfrey Isburd*, citizen and haberdasher of London, by the oath of *Robert Dyckynson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harryson*, *William Layre*, *George Gyene*, *John Jackson*, *William Povey*, *John Ireland*, *Peter Legate*, *Robert Elders*, *William Feake*, *John Bonde*, *William Styche*, *William Cooke*, *William Crowche*, *Stephen Porter*, *William Harve* and *Nicholas Hauxforde*, who say that

Godfrey Isburd was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 corner messuage, with shops, cellars, sollars, &c., lately occupied by the said *Geoffrey [sic] Isburd*, lying at the corner of Old Jewry next the Poultry in the parish of the Blessed Mary Colchurch, London; 1 messuage called le Crowne lying opposite the parish Church called St. Michaels at Querne within the said City, now in the tenure of *Thomas Lee*; and 1 messuage now or late in the occupation of *Robert Taylor* situate in the street called Redcrosse street in the parish of St. Giles without Cripplegate, London.

So seised, the said *Godfrey* made his will, and thereby bequeathed as follows: I give to my daughter *Jane Reve* wife of *John Reve*, citizen and goldsmith of London, and to her heirs for ever all that my messuage

now in the tenure of *Robert Taylor*, gent., situate in Redcrosse street, on condition that the said *John* and *Jane* pay to *Bartholomew, John, Jeames, Godfrey, Dorothy, Jane, Elizabeth* and *Phebe Reve* their children £80, that is, £10 each, at their several ages of 21, as by the said will dated 16 Oct., 1585, more fully appears.

The said corner messuage is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, *viz.*, by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The said messuage called the Crown is held of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 46s. 8d. The said messuage in Redcross street is held of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £4.

Godfrey Isburd died 25 December last past; *William Isburd* is his son and next heir and was then aged 38 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 209, No. 20.

Robert Weynam.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 June, 28 Eliz. [1586], before *Wolstan Dixie*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Robert Weynam*, citizen and ironmonger of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson, Thomas Russell, John Harrison, George Gyn, John Jackson, Roger Hole, Peter Legat, John Bond, William Stiche, William Crowche, Edmond Owen, William Harvy, Nicholas Hawkesford, Peter Noxton, Thomas Wig* and *John Thompson*, who say that

Robert Weynam long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage with all the shops, cellars, sollars, &c., situate in Basinglaine in the parish of St. Myldred in Bredstreat, London, late in the tenure of *William Thomas*, clothworker, and now in that of *Robert Wilkinson* and *James Farrington*: which said messuage *William Boxe*, citizen and grocer of London, lately sold to the said *Robert Weynam* and his heirs for ever, as by deed dated 31 March, 1563, more fully appears; 3 messuages lying in Pety Bryttayne in the parish of St. Butolph without Aldrighegate in the suburbs of the City of London, late in the several tenures of *Thomas Ashe, Christopher Gryge* and *John Awdley* and now in that of *Thomas Gryffyne, John Walker* and *Edward Cordwell*: which said messuages now with a garden thereto belonging a certain *Richard Emerson* of Stondon in co. Hertford, gent., lately purchased to him and his heirs for ever of *William Harvey*, esq., *alias* *Clarencieulx* king at arms, as by the indenture of bargain made between the said *William Harvey* of the one part and the said *Richard Emerson* of the other part dated 12 May, 3 Eliz. [1561] more fully appears.

The said *Richard Emerson*, being so seised, by deed dated the last day of February, 4 Eliz. [1562] in fulfilment of certain covenants made between the said *Richard Emerson* of the one part and the said *Robert Weynam* of the other part, dated 13 February, 4 Eliz. [1562], sold the said 3 messuages to the said *Robert Weynam* and *Elizabeth* his wife and the heirs of the said *Robert* for ever: all which said evidences above declared were shown to the jurors by *John Ford*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, who married the widow of the said *Robert Weynam*.

So seised, the said *Robert Weynam* made his will as follows: I give to *Elizabeth* my wife my messuages, lands, &c., in the parishes of St. Myldreds and St. Buttolphs in the City of London, for her life; and after her decease, I give the same to *Thomas Gryffyn*, *Richard Gryffyn*, and to my cousin *Anthony Porter* son of *Robert Porter* and to their heirs for ever, as by the said will dated 18 January, 1584, more fully appears.

The premises in Basinglaine are held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The 3 messuages in Pety Bryttayne are held of the Queen by fealty only in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £5.

Robert Weynam died 21 January, 1584; *Anne Hiccokes* wife of *Charles Hiccokes* of London, clothworker, is his sister and next heir, and was then aged 50 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 209, No. 53.

Simon Betaughe alias Betaghe.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 June, 28 Eliz. [1586], before *Wolstan Dixie*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Simon Betaughe alias Betaghe*, citizen and plasterer of London, by the oath of *Robert Dyckinson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harryson*, *John Jackson*, *Roger Hole*, *Francis Gunter*, *William Povey*, *John Bonde*, *William Styche*, *William Crowche*, *Edmund Owen*, *John Adlyn*, *Nicholas Hauksford*, *Peter Noxon*, and *Richard Trafford*, who say that

Simon Betaghe long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages lying together with a garden, lying in the street called Christ Churchstreate in the parish of St. Katherine Christchurch within Algate, London, and lately belonging to the priory and convent of the lately dissolved monastery of Holy Trinity, London, commonly called the priory of Christchurch in London, and formerly being parcels of the possessions thereof, and sometime in the several tenures of

Thomas Kyrby, leatherseller, and *Margaret Gryffyth*, widow, and now 2 other messuages have been newly built by the said *Simon Betaughe* upon the said garden; all which said messuages are now in the several tenures of *James Oliver*, *Moses Vinson*, *Gabriell Hunt*, gent., and *Simon Binckes*: which said premises *Robert Harris* of London, esq., and *William Barker* of the same, gent., lately sold to the said *Simon Betaughe* and his heirs for ever, as by deed dated 2 March, 1561, more fully appears.

So seised, the said *Simon Betaughe* made his will as follows: I give to *Alice* my wife my 2 tenements in the alley called Black raven alley in the parish of Crechurch within Algate, London, and the rents and profits of the same for life for her dower; after her decease, I give the same to *William Betaghe* my son and the heirs male of his body; for default, to *Thomas Betaghe* my son and the heirs male of his body; for default, the remainder thereof to *James Betaghe* now living with me, the son of *Patricke Betaghe* my nephewe and the heirs male of his body; for default, to such heir male of the body of the said *Patrick* as shall then be living; and for default, the remainder thereof, to my right heirs for ever.

To the said *William* my son my other 2 tenements in the said parish of Crechurch at the end of the Black Raven alley "on the streat syd their" to hold to him and his heirs male; for default, the remainder thereof to the said *Thomas* my son and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the said *James Betaghe* and the heirs male of his body with such further remainders over as above as by the said will dated 22 March, 1585, more fully appears.

The premises situate in Christchurchstreet are held of the Queen in socage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Simon Betaughe died 2 April last past; *Thomas Betaughe* is his son and next heir and is now aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 210, No. 63.

Thomas Cokkys, gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 June, 28 Eliz. [1586], before *Wolstan Dixie*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Cokkys*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickynson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harryson*, *George Gyne*, *John Jackson*, *Roger Hole*, *Peter Legat*, *John Bonde*, *William Styche*, *William Crowche*, *Edmund Owen*, *William Harvy*, *Nicholas Hauckesforde*, *Peter Noxon*, *Thomas Wigg*es and *John Thompson*, who say that

Thomas Cokkys long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 11 messuages now or formerly called le three fannes with 8 gardens to the same messuages belonging, now or late in the several tenures of *Peter Bailie*, *Randolph Geanys*, *James Whyteley*, *John Dawhi*, *Richard Daye*, *Robert Hickman*, *William Mosse*, . . . *Morlowe*, "*le vidue de Johe Blonkartes*," *Thomas Dunwell*, *John Colmer*, *Robert Cooke*, *Thomas Shefeild*, *James Wrenche* and *Richard Wytrentes*, situate in the parish of All Saints in the Wall in the ward of Brodstreat: which said premises are held of the Queen by the free service of 1d. by the year, and are worth per ann., clear, £10.

Thomas Cokkys died 20 May, 25 Eliz. [1583], in the said parish of All Saints in the Wall, without heirs.

The said *Peter Balie* and others above named occupied the said messuages and gardens from the death of the said *Thomas Cokkys* up to the taking of this inquisition, but who took the profits thereof the jurors know not.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 210, No. 65.

Humphrey Brooke, Notary Public.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 May, 28 Eliz. [1586], before *Woolstan Dixe*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Humphrey Brooke* of the said City, Notary Public, by the oath of *Robert Dyckinson*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Layer*, *John Jackson*, *John Irelande*, *William Povey*, *William Feake*, *John Bonde*, *William Cooke*, *William Crowche*, *Edmund Owen*, *Stephen Porter*, *Peter Noxon*, *George Newbold*, *Thomas Wygges*, *Richard Trafforde* and *Nicholas Hawcksford*, who say that

Humphrey Brooke was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 tenement with 2 gardens, with all shops, cellars, sollars, ways and easements to the same belonging, now or late in the tenure of *James Ingram*, clerk in medicine, and *Christopher Harebottell*, situate within the lordship of the Friars Preachers called le Blackeffryers of the City of London, and late parcel of the possessions of the said house; 1 tenement in Cornehill in the parish of St. Mary Woolchurch called le signe de le Ploughe with all shops, cellars, sollars, &c., now or late in the tenure of *Richard Harrison*, late parcel of the possessions of the house of the Carthusians near the City of London; 2 tenements with shops, &c., lying in Soper Lane in the parish of St. Pancras within the said City, now or late in the occupation of *John Lee*, writer, and *Hugh Robins*, late parcel of the possessions of the late monastery of Hallywell in co. Middlesex; 1

tenement lying in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene in Old Fish Street, London, with shops, &c., now or late in the tenure of *Joan Jane at's Silvester*, widow, late parcel of the possessions of the late priory of St. Helens within the said City; 1 tenement in the parish of St. Olave in the borough of Southwark at the foot of London Bridge, called le Nonnes head, with all shops, &c., now or late in the occupation of *William Eggleston* late parcel of the possessions of the said late priory: all which said premises the said *Humphrey Brooke* purchased to him and his heirs of *Richard Pauncefoote*, esq., as appears by indenture dated 8 February, 4 and 5 Philip and Mary [1558] more fully appears; also of 1 tenement situate in le Alley called Myll Alley at's Goughes Alley in the parish of St. Stephen in the street called Colman street in the said City, now or late in the tenure of *Hugh Dyer*; 2 tenements or cottages with gardens adjoining lying in the said Myll Alley, now or late in the several tenures of *John Carpenter* and *Richard Platten*; 1 tenement with a garden adjoining the said 2 tenements or cottages, late in the tenure of *John Sherbourne*; 2 gardens in the said parish of St. Stephen, one whereof now is or late was in the tenure of *Thomas Alsoppe* and the other was late in that of *Robert Essington*, deceased; 1 other garden lying in Colman street near Horse Alley there, now or late in the occupation of *John Malliarde*; which said premises the said *Humphrey Brooke* purchased to him and his heirs of the said *Robert Essington*; also of 1 messuage or house lying in a certain lane called Fynckes lane in the parish of St. Benet Fynckes, now or late in the tenure of *John Gybson*; 1 yard called a timber yard lying in the parish of St. Botolph without Algate in the suburbs of the said City now or late in the tenure of . . . *Smythe*; also of 2 messuages in Fanchurch street in the parish of St. Katherine Christchurch within Algate, London, late in the tenure of *Alvered Cutler* and *John Stephenson* and now in the occupation of *John Kymby* and . . . *Palmer*, late parcel of the possessions of the late monastery or priory of Holy Trinity, London, commonly called "Le Priorie" of Christchurch.

So seised, the said *Humphrey Brooke* made his will as follows [here given in English]: I give to my wife [not named] the manor and demesnes of Gaytforth, viz., the manor house with the park and all other lands, meadows and pasture which were in the tenure of *William Allyn*, for her life; also my 2 third parts of hay and corn in Gaytforthe.

To *Ales* my daughter and to the heirs of her body all such lands and tenements as I have in Pomfret and other towns and places thereto adjoining which I lately bought of *William Brooke* and his sons, and all the lands and tenements lying in Kellington parish or elsewhere in co. York which I lately purchased of *Thomas Dawney*, deceased. If the

said *Alice* die without heirs of her body, then the same to remain to my son *Humfrey* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the rest of my daughters and the heirs of their bodies; for default, to *Gabriel* my son and the heirs of his body; for default, to my cousin *William Brooke* son of my brother *Charles* and to the heirs of his body; for default, to my brother *John* and the heirs of his body; and for default, the same to remain to the Queen her heirs and successors for ever.

To *Anne* my daughter and her heirs my messuage wherein she now dwells lying in Fynckes lane in London; for default, the same to remain to my son *Humphrey* and the heirs of his body; for default, to remain to my daughters *Katherine* and *Elizabeth* and their heirs; if they all die, then the same to remain to my son *Gabriel* and the heirs of his body; for default, to my said cousin *William Brooke* and the heirs of his body; for default, to his brother *John* and the heirs of his body; and for default, the same to remain to the Queen and her heirs and successors for ever.

I give to my son *Humphrey* 2 cottages or small tenements lying in Fanchurch street near Northumberland Place in London: to hold to him and the heirs of his body; for default, to remain to my daughters *Katheran* and *Elizabeth* and to the heirs of their bodies; also during the continuance of the lease now in esse all the rent of the timber yard with the houses therein built, set without Aldegate, London, paying therefor yearly to my said son *Gabriel* and his heirs the old accustomed rent of 5s.; after the end of the said term I give to the said *Humphrey* 2 third parts of the said timber yard and other the premises for life; also the lease of my shop in Lumberde street, London.

To my daughter *Katheran* a lease of the house and garden lying within the Blackeffryers, London, for 60 years, she paying yearly therefor to my said son *Gabriel* 10s. and repairing the "howsen" and the water works thereto belonging, hoping that if she dies without issue of her body she will distribute the same to her sisters and her brother *Humphrey*, nevertheless the lease granted to my *Lady Sheffield* must be allowed.

I will that my daughter *Elizabeth* shall have and enjoy the messuage wherein she now dwells, together with the tenement next adjoining, now in the occupation of *Hughe Robinson*, situate in Soper Lane, London, for 60 years, paying therefor yearly to my heir 10s.

The rest of my lands I give to my son *Gabriel* and the heirs of his body, with remainders as above.

I will that *William Morret* my servant and his wife have for their lives the messuage wherein they now dwell in consideration of his faithful service, as by the said will dated 15 Feb., 1585, more fully appears.

The premises in the several parishes of St. Mary Woolchurch, St. Pancras, St. Mary Magdalene, St. Olave Southwark and St. Stephen in Colman Street are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The messuage in Fynckes lane is held of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, 30s.; of whom the said timber yard is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d. The 2 messuages in the said parish of St. Katherine Crechurch are held of the Queen in socage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Humphrey Brooke died 20 February last past; *Gabriel Brooke* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 22 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 210, No. 66.

John Blomer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 30 April, 28 Eliz. [1586], before *Wolstan Dixie*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Blomer*, citizen and haberdasher of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *John Harrison*, *John Jackson*, *William Povey*, *Roger Hole*, *John Ireland*, *John Bonde*, *William Styche*, *William Cooke*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Robert*, *Stephen Porter*, *John Adlyne*, *Nicholas Hawckford*, *Peter Noxon* and *Thomas Wiggess*, who say that

John Blomer was seised in his demesne as of fee of 7 messuages with gardens thereto adjacent, now or late in the several tenures of *Thomas Slater*, *John Loych*, . . . *Bodlowe*, *Gosom Magen*, *James Roper*, *Fervis Sawyer* and *Richard Whytinge*; 1 large garden in the tenure of the said *John Blomer*, situate in Sho Alley alias Sho Lane in the parish of St. Bridget or St. Bride in Flytstreat, London, as by a deed dated 15 March, 24 Eliz. [1582] more fully appears; 1 messuage, lying in the parish of St. Martin in Bowyer Rowe alias the parish of St. Martin within Ludgate, London, late in the tenure of *John Settill* and now in that of *Walter Bullocke*, as by a deed dated 3 April, 19 Eliz. [1577] it may appear.

So seised, the said *John Blomer* made his will as follows: I give all my freehold lands, tenements and hereditaments to my son *Edmond Blomer* and to the heirs of his body; for default, the same to remain to my daughter *Sara Heyton* wife of *Francis Heyton* and to the heirs of her body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever, as by the said will dated 21 January, 1585, more fully appears.

The messuages and gardens in Sho Alley are held of the Queen by

fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £10. The messuage in the parish of St. Martin in Bowyer Rowe is held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £5.

John Blomer died 22 January last past; *Edmond Blomer* is his son and next heir and was then aged 20 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 210, No. 77.

Lawrence Bradshaw.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 November, 28 Eliz. [1586], before *George Barne*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Lawrence Bradshawe*, citizen and carpenter of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *John Jackson*, *William Povy*, *Roger Hole*, *Robert Eldar*, *John Ireland*, *William Feake*, *John Bond*, *William Cooke*, *Edmund Owen*, *William Harvy*, *John Adlin*, *Nicholas Hawkisford*, *Thomas Wigges*, *John Thompson*, *Peter Noxton* and *William Crowche*, who say that

Lawrence Bradshawe long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage wherein he then dwelt, parcel of 2 messuages lately built anew lying in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East near the Tower of London, with all cellars, sollars, rooms, &c., situate between the ténement late in the tenure of *Richard Wood*, barber-surgeon of London, and now in the tenure of *Andrew Hinck*, joiner, on the east part, and the messuage late of *Benjamin Gonstone* and now in the tenure of *William Towse* on the west and north, and the highway there called Towerstreet on the south, as by the deed indented of *John Mey*, S. T. P., and rector of the parish Church of St. Dunstan in the East near the Tower of London made to the said *Lawrence Bradshaw* and his heirs for ever, dated 26 June, 10 Eliz. [1568] more fully appears.

The said messuage is held in free burgage of the City of London, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Lawrence Bradshaw died 24 May, 23 Eliz. [1581]; *Thomas Bradshawe* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 37 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 210, No. 104.

William Phillippes, Merchant tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall before *Wolstan Dixe*, Mayor and escheator, 29 November, 28 Eliz. [1585], after the death of *William Phillippes*, merchant tailor of London, by the oath of *Robert*

Dickinson, Richard Smith, Roger Hool, John Harrison, John Jackson, John Ireland, William Povey, George Roberts, John Bond, William Stytche, William Cook, William Harvy, William Layer, William Crowche, Edmond Owyne, Peter Noxton, Nicholas Hawkesford and Robert . . ., who say that

William Phillippes was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage, situate in the cemetery of the Church of Bow called Bow Church yard; and so seised, made his will dated 16 October, 1585, as follows: whereas I owe to *Richard Maye*, merchant tailor, and to other persons large sums of money, I will that my executor shall within 2 years after my decease sell the great messuage in Bow Church yard, wherein I now dwell, and with the money coming therefrom shall pay all my debts; and the residue thereof I give to *Sybell* my wife for her own use.

Whereas I have already given to my son *Myghell Fleming* with my daughter *Alice* in marriage £200, to my son *Danyell Hills* with my daughter *Mary* in marriage £200, and to my son *Henry Phillippes* £100, by means whereof they are excluded by the custom of the City of London from challenging any child's part from my goods, unless I shall mention in my will that I have already given them: I have therefore set down with certainty what they have had, willing them, with what they have already had, to have their full child's parts of my goods and the same to be put in "hotchpott" with the rest of my goods.

I make the said *Sybell* sole executrix, and desire the said *Richard Maie* and ——— *Southerton* to be overseers.

The said messuage is held of the Queen by the service of 1d., and is worth per ann., clear, £6.

William Phillippes died on the said 16 October; the said *Henry Phillippes* is his son and next heir, and is now aged 35 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 211, No. 196.

Richard Bowser, Citizen and Saddler.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 29 November, 29 Eliz. [1586], before *George Barne*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Richard Bowsar*, citizen and sadler of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson, Thomas Russell, John Harrison, John Jackson, William Povey, Roger Hole, John Thompson, Robert Elder, Peter Legatt, William Feake, John Bounde, William Cooke, John Ireland, George Robertes, William Harvie, Nicholas Hawksford, Peter Noxton, Thomas Wiges* and *Edward Swaine*, who say that

Richard Bowsar long before his death was seised in his demesne of 1 tenement containing 1 shop towards the street with 1 room over the said shop and upon the entry over the gate of the alley called Rame Alley gate, as they are now separated and divided from the houses on the west part of the said tenement, now or late in the several tenures of *William Ridgley* and *Richard Grene*; 1 small room over (super) the chief staircase (građ) of the said house, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Grene*; all those 4 rooms with cubicles under the same lying within the said Rame Alley, now in the tenure of the said *Richard Bowsar*; all that cubicle now or late in the tenure of *John Taylor*; 1 part of "Conclane" now or late in the tenure of the said *Richard Grene* in which there is a chimney, and so much of the room above the said Conclane as runs (occurrent) with the inner part of the "funelli Latrare" there: which said tenement contains in breadth from the street there from the farthest part of one side of the foundation of the said house up to the inner part of the foundation of the said house on the west side 12 feet and 1 inch of assize. The said 4 rooms and the cubicle contain in length from the street there at the north end up to the farther part of the same at the south end 79 feet of assize; also 1 small house now occupied for a Crinosa house and 1 small parcel of 1 garden now in the tenure of the said *Richard Bowsar* lying within the said alley abutting at the north end on the tenement now or late in the tenure of *William Conyers*: which said piece of the said garden contains in length from the north part up to the south part $13\frac{1}{2}$ feet of assize, and in width from the east part up to the west part 18 feet of assize; 4 feet of land next adjoining the south part of the said Crinosa house, which said 4 feet are separated and enclosed at the proper costs of the said *Richard Bowsar*; also 1 stable containing in length from the north part to the south part $12\frac{1}{2}$ feet of assize, and in breadth 9 feet and 6 inches: which said stable adjoins the chimney of the kitchen of *John Perryn* on the south part and the chimney of the room of *Richard Smyth* on the north part: all which said premises are situate in Fleete street in the suburbs of the City of London in the same Rame Alley in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West. The said *Richard Bowsar* was likewise seised of 4 tenements with 4 small gardens lying in a certain lane called Fewter Lane within the parish of St. Andrew in the street of Holburne, now or late in the tenure of *Edward Dent*, *William Brassebridge*, *Anthony Bennett* and *John Clerke*.

So seised, the said *Richard Bowsar* made his will as follows: I give to *Alice Gryffin*, my sister's daughter, now the wife of *John Griffin*, Vintner, my house in Fewter Lane now or late in the tenure of ——— *Brassebridge*: to hold to her and the heirs of her body; for default,

the same to remain to my son *John Bowsar* and his heirs for ever. The residue of my freehold manors, messuages, lands, &c., shall descend to my said son *John Bowsar* and his heirs for ever, as by the said will, dated 13 June, 1585, more fully appears.

All the premises in the said parish of St. Dunstons in the West are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of knight's fee is not known, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The premises in Fewter Lane are held of the Queen in free socage and not in chief by fealty, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Richard Bowsar died 16 October last past; *John Bowsar* is his only son and next heir, and was then aged 23 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 212, No. 13.

John Baker, Citizen and Mercer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 2 December, 29 Eliz. [1586], before *George Barne*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Baker*, citizen and mercer of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *William Lare*, *John Faxson*, *John Stidderd*, *William Povy*, *Roger Hole*, *John Thompson*, *Robert Elder*, *John Bond*, *William Cooke*, *William Crouch*, *John Ireland*, *Edmond Owen*, *George Robertes*, *William Harvy*, *Nicholas Hawkesforde* *Edward Swaine*, *Peter Noxton*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Richard Trafford* and *James Dodson*, who say that

John Baker was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages situate in the parish of All Saints in Lombardstreet in the City of London, now or late in the several tenures of *Christopher Oswen* and *Robert Harell*, formerly belonging to the late monastery of the Blessed Mary Overy in co. Surrey now dissolved; 1 capital messuage lying in the parish of St. Martin Owtwich in Byshipgatestreet, London, late in the tenure of the said *John Baker*, and now in that of *Fardonand Clotherbucke*, citizen and clothworker of London; 2 other messuages adjoining the said capital messuage now or late in the several tenures of *Ellen Foster* and *John Foster*, with all the buildings, gardens, shops, &c., thereto belonging.

So seised, the said *John Baker* by deed dated 28 February, 24 Eliz. [1582] sold all the said premises to *William Holstock*, esq., *John Catcher*, pewterer, and *James Alkyne*, ironmonger, and their heirs to their sole use for ever [indenture is here given in full in English].

All the premises in the parish of All Saints in Lombardstreet are held of the Queen by fealty as of her manor of Nonsuch in co. Surrey,

and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £28. The premises in the parish of St. Martin Owtwich in Bishopsgate street are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £30: which said £30 during the lives of *Peter Simondes* and *Anne* his wife and *Joan Bethell* are to be paid to the said *Peter*, *Anne* and *Joan*, as by indenture dated 6 January, 24 Eliz. [1582] more fully appears.

John Baker died 2 Aug., 1584, but who is his next heir the jurors know not.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 212, No. 25.

Thomas Ravinscroft, Citizen and cordwainer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 19 December, 29 Eliz. [1586], before *George Barne*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Ravinscroft*, citizen and cordwainer of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Jackson*, *William Povy*, *Roger Holle*, *John Thompson*, *Robert Elder*, *John Bonde*, *William Cooke*, *William Crouche*, *Edmond Owen*, *George Robertes*, *Nicholas Hawkesford* and *Peter Noxton*, who say that

Thomas Ravinscroft long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 3 messuages formerly 1 messuage called le Highhouse and le Glene on the Hoop as by a deed dated 24 July, 8 Edw. 4 [1468] it may appear, and now called le Whit Hart, with all shops, cellars, &c., now or late in the several tenures of *James Lether* and *Richard Morris* situate in the parish of St. Stephen in Colman street, London; 1 messuage newly built, wherein the said *Thomas Ravinscroft* was dwelling on the day of his death, lying in the said parish of St. Stephen, formerly called le Robine Hode, now in the tenure of *Katherine Ravinscroft*, widow; 3 messuages situate in the parish of St. Clements within the said City, now or late in the several tenures of *William Haward*, *Thomas Gatherne* and *Radulphus Ive*, formerly belonging to the parish Church of St. Clements; 4 tenements in Thames street in the parish of St. Mary Somerset within the said City, now or late in the tenures of ——— *Bodilowe* and ——— *Savage*, widow, ——— *Johnson* and ——— *Naylor*; 4 messuages being in the parish of St. Michael at Quenhith within the said City, now or late in the several occupations of *James Harison*, *Thomas Sawell*, *Richard Wheler* and ——— *Gilderne*, widow; 2 tenements in the parish of St. Michael at Quenhith in the ward of Quenhith, next to the brewery there called by the sign of the Bull, now or late in the several tenures of *Stephen Hardwick* and ——— *Cox*; all that messuage sometime called le great

shope, with a sollar thereupon built, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Waverley*, situate in Old Fish street in the parish of St. Nicholas Coldabby and in the ward of Bredstreet within the said City, 2 messuages now or late in the several tenures of *Richard Clark* and *John Coldwell* being in the parish of St. Olave in the Olde Jury, London, and formerly belonging to the late priory of Holy Trinity of Christchurch, London.

So seised, the said *Thomas Ravinscroft* made his will as follows : I give to *Katherine* my wife all my lands, tenements and hereditaments lying within the City of London and elsewhere for her life, on condition that she shall pay all my debts and legacies, and also pay to *Richard* and *Henry Ravinscroft* my sons yearly out of my said lands £5 each. After the decease of the said *Katherine*, I give to *Thomasine* my daughter my messuage wherein I now dwell sometime called the Robine Hode in Colmanstreet, for her life ; after her decease the said messuage to remain to *Richard Ravenscroft* my son for life ; after his death, then to Henry my son for life ; after his decease, I give the same to the Master, Wardens and commonalty of the mystery of cordwainers of the City of London and their successors for ever for the performing of my will. After the decease of *Katherine* my wife I give to my said daughter *Thomasine* my messuage called the White Harte, and 1 small tenement thereto adjoining lying in the said parish of St. Stephens in Colmanstreet now in the tenures of *James Lether*, innholder and *Richard Morris* "brownebaker" : to hold to her and the heirs of her body ; and for default, I give the same to *Richard* my son for life ; after his decease to *Henry* my second son and the heirs of his body ; and for default to the said Master, Wardens and Commonalty of the Cordwainers and their successors for ever to perform my will. I give my 2 messuages in the parish of St. Olaves in Old Jury now in the tenures of *John Floyde*, shoemaker, and *Makin Sadler*, and all the tenements which I bought of *Thomas Fanshawe*, esq., situate in the ward of Quenhith to my said son *Richard*, for his life ; after his decease, the same to remain to his first born son and the heirs of his body ; for default, then successively to the 2nd 3rd 4th 5th and 6th sons of the body of the said *Richard* and the heirs of their bodies ; for default, the same to remain to the daughters of the body of the said *Richard* and their heirs ; for default, to my said son *Henry* and the heirs of his body ; for default, to *Thomasin* my daughter and the heirs of her body ; and for default, to the said Master, Wardens and Commonalty of the Cordwainers and their successors for ever, they giving yearly out of the rents of the said lands for ever on the Thursday after Midlent Sunday to the poor householders within the said parish of

St. Stephens 20 nobles, after the rate of 8*d.* a householder; and also 6*s.* 8*d.* to some godly preacher yearly for ever on the same Thursday for a sermon to be made within the same parish Church of St. Stephens; and also 40*s.* to the livery of the same company of cordwainers who shall be at the said sermon, to be spent the same day amongst them at their common hall; and also to distribute yearly for ever to the poor of the said company £5; and to the said Master and Wardens 5*s.*, viz., to the Master 20*d.*, and to each of the 4 wardens 10*d.*; and to the clerk of the company 12*d.* and to the bedells 6*d.* each; and also to pay to *Henry, Josias and Sara Ravenscrofte late the children of my brother James Ravenscrofte* £3 6*s.* 8*d.* for their lives.

After the decease of *Katherine* my wife I give to the said *Henry* my son the residue of my lands in the ward of Quenhithe, and my 3 tenements in the parish of St. Clements near Estcheape: to hold to him and the heirs of his body; for default, the same to remain to the said *Richard Ravenscroft* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the said *Thomasine* my daughter and the heirs of her body; and for default, to the said Master, Wardens and Commonalty of the said Cordwainers and their successors for ever, as by the said Will dated 16 October, 1581, more fully appears.

The messuages formerly called Highhouse and le Glene and now called le Whit Hart in the said parish of St. Stephens are held in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The messuage called le Robinhod in the said parish of St. Stephen is held of the Queen in socage as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent in free and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 40*s.* The messuages in the said parish of St. Clements are held of the Queen as of her said manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent in free and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The tenements in the parish of St. Mary Somerset and the 4 messuages in the parish of St. Michael at Quenhith now in the tenures of *James Harison, Thomas Sawell, Richard Wheeler* and ——— *Gilderne*, widow, are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent in free and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £12. The said 2 messuages adjoining in the said parish of St. Michael in the tenures of ——— *Hardwick* and ——— *Cox* are held in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £4. The messuage formerly called le greате Shope lying in Old Fish Street is held in free burgage, and is worth per ann., clear, 20*s.* The 2 messuages lying in the parish of St. Olave in le olde Jury are held of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £3.

Thomas Ravinscroft died 24 January, 1583; *Richard Ravinscroft* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 212, No. 49.

William Lambe, Citizen and Clothworker.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 30 May, 29 Eliz. [1587], before *George Barne*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Lambe*, late citizen and clothworker of the said City, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *William Lare*, *John Jackson*, *Roger Hole*, *John Thompson* . . * *Bond*, *William Steeche*, *William Cooke*, *William Crowche*, *Edmond Owen*, *George Robertes*, *Thomas Wigges*, *James Dodson*, *Edward Swaine* and *John Irelande*, who say that

William Lambe was seised in his demesne as of fee . . . called le St. Jaemes Chappell at London Wall within the said City; 3 several tenements lying there now or late in the several tenures of *John Feilde*, baker, . . . and ——— *Spighte*, gent., 5 several gardens, with 6 several tenements now therein built, lying in the parish of St. Stephen in Colmanstreet within the said City, now or late in the several tenures of . . . *Bodeley*, merchant, *Fulk Oneslowe*, gent., *John Barnes*, mercer, *George Cullymore*, merchant, and *John Morgan*, citizen and grocer of London; 2 tenements with 2 stalls (seldis) being in the parish of St. Olave in Silverstreet within . . . now or late in the several tenures of *Guy Bartram*, minstrell, and *Richard Williams*, merchant tailor of London.

So seised, the said *William Lambe*, by deed dated 12 July, 10 Eliz. [1568] made between the Master and Wardens of the Guild of the Assumption of the Blessed Mary the Virgin of the art of Clothwarkers in the City of London on the one part, and the Mayor and Commonalty of the said City of London of the other part, witnesses that he the said *William Lamb* of London, gent., by writing sufficient in the law intends to make his will concerning his messuages, lands, &c., within the City of London, and thereby to give the same to the said Master and Wardens, and it is then covenanted by the said Master and Wardens that they from the death of the said *William Lamb* for ever shall yearly on the 1st day of October and on the feast days of St. Stephen, the Anunciation of St. Mary the Virgin and the Nativity of St. John the Baptist cause some learned godly man to make a sermon within the

* Document torn away.

chapel or church of St. James in the Wall, and that at each of the said sermons 4 of the livery of the said company of clothworkers shall be present, and the said Master shall pay to the preacher of each said sermon 6s. 8d., and to the said 4 clothworkers there present 13s. 4d.; and shall cause 12 gowns for 12 men to be new made of good new friese, every gown to contain $6\frac{1}{2}$ yards of friese, "if so be" that 12 such gowns can be made for £6 9s.; also 12 gowns for 12 women of good new frise, every gown to contain $5\frac{1}{2}$ yards, if they can be made for £5 11s.; also 12 "shertes" for 12 men to be made of canvas or lokeram, every shirt to contain $2\frac{1}{2}$ ells, the price of every ell to be 12d.; also 12 smocks for 12 women to be made of the same, every smock to contain 2 ells of same price; and shall also buy yearly for ever 12 pairs of new strong winter shoes for 12 men and 12 pair for 12 women, and to give the said gowns, &c., away on the 1st day of October to poor aged men and women being impotent or lame. If the Chamberlain, the Town Clerk and the Under-Chamberlain of the City of London be present on the said 1st of October, then the said Master shall pay to each of them 6s. 8d.; and lastly shall for ever find an honest, virtuous and "sad" chaplain to say divine service in the said Chapel or Church every Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.

Afterwards, the said *William Lambe* to perform his said intention made his will dated 11 October, 16 Eliz. [1574] as follows: whereas heretofore a conveyance was intended to have been made by me to *William Tomlynson John Cawoode* and *Anthony Bond* of the City of London, and their heirs of all my messuages, lands, tenements, &c., in the parishes of St. James in the Wall near Criplegate and St. Stephens in Colmanstreet, whereupon it was meant that the said *William Tomlynson* and others should have conveyed the use thereof to me and *Joahne*, then my wife, now deceased, for our heirs for the dower of the said *Joan*, and after our decease to such uses as I should limit, whereupon nothing was effectually done, so that I am still seised of the said premises in my demesne as of fee: yet to avoid all doubt, I by my deed dated 3 July, 9 Eliz. [1567], granted that I and the said *William Tomlynson, John Cawood* and *Anthony Bond* should be seised of the said premises to the only use of me and my heirs for ever, and the said *William Tomlynson* and others by deed dated 4 July in the said 9th year of Eliz. released to me all their right and interest in the said premises: and whereas also I and *Joan* my wife by indenture made between us of the one part and the Master, Wardens and Commonalty of the art of the Stationers of London of the other part, have granted to the said Master an annuity of £6 13s. 4d. issuing out of the premises in said parish of St. James, as by the said indenture dated 7 July in

said 9th Eliz. more plainly appears: I now will that the said annuity shall be paid to the said Master of the Stationers and his successors for ever. I give all my messuages, lands, &c., in the said 3 parishes to the said Master and Wardens of the Clothworkers and their successors for ever, to the uses mentioned in the said indenture dated 12 July, 10 Eliz., but if at any time the said company be seised into the Prince's hands so that they cannot enjoy the said lands, I will that the profits thereof shall be paid by the tenants thereof to the President and fellows of the college lately founded by Sir *Thomas Whight*, knight and alderman of London to the use of the poor scholars of the same college, so long as the said corporation of the clothworkers shall remain in the Queen's hands, but after her Majesty has removed her hands therefrom the said corporation to enjoy the said lands for ever. If the said company of clothworkers be negligent in carrying out my bequests, I give the said lands to the President and fellows of St. John's College of Oxford to the use of the poor scholars there for ever.

By virtue of the said indenture and will the said company of clothworkers directly after the death of the said *William Lamb* entered into the said premises and took the profits thereof.

The said St. James's Chapel and all the premises in the said parishes of St. James on the Wall and St. Stephen in Colmanstreet are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £7. The premises in the parish of St. Olave in Silverstreet are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d.

William Lambe died the last day of April, 1580; *William Whitlocke* is his kinsman and next heir, viz., son of ——— *Whitlocke* and *Joan* his wife, daughter of *John Lambe* father of the said *William Lambe*, and was then aged 50 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 212, No. 50.

Millicent Herenden, widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 28 June, 29 Eliz. [1587], before *George Barne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Millicent Herenden*, widow, by the oath of *Robert Dyconson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *John Jackson*, *Roger Hole*, *John Thompson*, *Robert Elder*, *John Bond*, *William Stytych*, *William Cooke*, *William Crowch*, *Edmund Owen*, *Nicholas Hauxford*, *Thomas Wigges*, *James Dodson* and *John Ireland*, who say that

Millicent Herenden long before her death was seised in her demesne

as of fee of 2 gardens called Grayfryars gardeynes lying in the parish of Christchurch within the said City, now or late in the tenure of *Ralph Downes*.

So seised, the said *Millicent* made her will with a codicil as follows : whereas in my will I have appointed that the 2 gardens adjoining the gardens belonging to the Hospital of Christchurch westward should be sold by my executor : I now revoke that clause and will that the said gardens shall descend to *Edmond Herenden* my son and heir, on condition that he shall sell or let the same to whoever shall have my now dwelling house, as by the said will dated 21 October, 23 Eliz. [1581] more fully appears.

The said *Millicent* was likewise seised in her demesne as of fee of the manor of Tadworth, and of 10 messuages, 2 tofts, 600 a. of land, 10 a. of meadow, 400 a. of pasture, 400 a. of wood, 500 a. of furze and heath and 20s. rent in Tadworth, Ewell and Bansted in co. Surrey ; and so seised, by indenture made between herself of the one part and *Henry Herenden* her son of Gray's Inn in co. Middlesex, gent., of the other part, dated 10 Sept., 11 Eliz. [1569], in consideration of a marriage then to be solemnised between the said *Henry Herenden* and *Mary Digby* of North-Luffenham in co. Rutland, widow, the said *Millicent* agreed that she would be seised of the said premises to her own use for her life ; the remainder thereof after her death being to the use of the said *Henry* and *Mary* and the heirs of the said *Henry* for ever.

The said 2 gardens are held of the Queen by knight's service by the 100th part of 1 knight's fee in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d. The said manor of Tadworth and other the premises in Tadworth, Ewell and Bansted are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free socage and not in chief, paying therefore yearly to the Queen £12 12s. at the Court of Augmentations and revenues of the Crown, and are worth per ann., clear, £12.

Millicent Herenden died 5 November, 23 Eliz. [1581] ; *Edmund Herenden* is her elder son and next heir, and was then aged 49 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 212, No. 53.

John Gardener, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 28 July, 29 Eliz. [1587], before *George Barne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Gardyner*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Jackson*, *John Stodderd*, *William Povey*, *Roger Hole*, *John Ireland*, *William Feake*, *John Bounde*, *William Crowche*,

William Cooke, Edmund Owen, George Robartes, John Adlyn, Nicholas Hawkesford, Richard Trayfford and David Holyland, who say that

John Gardyner long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage, with shops, cellars, &c., lying in Budge Rowe in the parish of St. John upon Walbrooke, London, now or late in the tenure of *Fulk Evance*.

So seised, the said *John Gardener* made his will as follows: I give my house in Budge Rowe in the City of London to *Elizabeth Duddleley* my good sister for her life; after her decease, the same to remain to *Anne Duddleley* my said sister's daughter and the heirs of her body; for default the remainder thereof to my good brother-in-law *John Duddleley* and his right heirs for ever, as by the said will dated 30 Nov., 1590, more fully appears.

The said messuage is held in free burgage of the City of London, and is worth per ann., clear, £8.

John Gardyner died 11 November last past; *John Gardyner* is his kinsman and next heir, and was then aged 27 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 212, No. 56.

Thomas Jackson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 October, 29 Eliz. [1587] before *George Barne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Jackson*, citizen and fishmonger of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson, Thomas Russell, John Harrisson, William Povy, Roger Hole, Robert Elder, William Feake, John Bonde, William Cooke, William Crowche, Edmund Owen, George Robartes, William Harvy, Nicholas Hawkeford, Peter Noxton, Thomas Sewell, Thomas Wigges, John Tompson and John Stevens*, who say that

Thomas Jackson long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that capital messuage called le Garland; and 2 other messuages adjoining the said capital messuage on the west, lying together in the parish of St. Brigide in Flytstreat in the suburbs of the City of London, now in the tenure of *Nicholas Haukesford*; also all that waste place of land and 1 "shede" situate on the wharfe in the said parish, late in the tenure of *Alice Perce* and now in that of *Philip Smith*, and sometime belonging to the Fraternity or Guild in the said Church of St. Brigide; and 11 small tenements and 1 "le storehouse," situate on the south part of the Common hall there called Our Ladys hall in the said parish of St. Brigide, late in the tenure of *Christopher Dray*, and now in the several tenures of *Timothy Watson, Robert*

Hoyle, William Smith, ——— Browne, John Dixon, John Bradshawe, Maudlyne Fuxson, John Goffe and Hugh Nash, and formerly belonging to the said Fraternity.

So seised, the said *Thomas Jackson* made his will as follows: I will that *Fraunces* my wife shall have all my messuages, houses, lands, &c., in the City of London and elsewhere, and take all the rents thereof for her life; after her decease, I give the same to *Anne* my daughter and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, to *William Jackson* son of my brother *Robert Jackson* and the heirs of his body for ever; and for default, the same to remain to my right heirs and blood for ever, as by the said will dated 1 August, 1563, and proved before Master *John Orphinstrange* official of the Archdeacon of London 26 June, 1564, more fully appears.

The capital messuage called le Garland and the 2 messuages thereto adjoining in the said parish of St. Brigede are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £10. The waste places of land, and the shed and the 11 small tenements and the storehouse are held of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Thomas Jackson died 19th June, 1564; *Robert Jackson* is his brother and next heir, and was then aged 60 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 213, No. 76.

Thomas Randall, Citizen and Brewer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 October, 29 Eliz. [1587], before *George Barne*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Randall*, citizen and brewer, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson, Thomas Russell, John Harrison, William Povy, Roger Hole, Robert Elder, William Feake, John Bonde, William Cooke, William Crowche, Edmund Owen, George Robartes, William Harvy, Nicholas Hawkesford, Peter Noxton, Thomas Sewell, Thomas Wiggess, John Tompson* and *John Stevens*, who say that

Thomas Randall was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage, with the shops, cellars, curtilages and easements thereto belonging, late in the tenure of *Honor Shinyshall* and now in that of *John Phillippes*, lying in the parish of St. Andrew near the Queen's Wardrope in the said City: of which said messuage a certain *William Butler*, citizen and brewer of London, deceased, was seised in his demesne as of fee, and so seised by his will dated 8 April, 1567, gave the same to the said *Thomas Randall* and his heirs for ever.

A certain *Agnes Randall* late of Apsden in co. Hertford, widow, at the time of her death living in London, by her will bequeathed *inter alia* 2 messuages in Adlingstreat in the said parish of St. Andrew in le Wardroppe as follows: I give to *Thomas Randall* my eldest son and to *Izabell* his wife my 2 messuages in Adlingstreat, now or late in the tenure of *Mr. Mathewe Carewe*; after their decease I give the same to the heirs of the body of the said *Thomas*; for default, to *Henry Randall* my second son and the heirs of his body; and for default, to *William Randall* my younger son and to the heirs of his body for ever, as by the said will dated 29 December, 1585, more fully appears.

The 2 messuages in Adlingstreet, late in the tenure of *Matthew Carewe*, Doctor of Laws, and now in that of ——— *Shevington*, Doctor of Laws, are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The messuage in the said parish of St. Andrew is held of the Queen in free socage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Thomas Randall died 14 July last past; *Matthew Randall* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 15 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 213, No. 77.

Robert Younge, Citizen and Fishmonger.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 3 July, 30 Eliz. [1588], before *George Bonde*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Robert Younge*, citizen and fishmonger of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Harrison*, *William Harvy*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *John Stodderd*, *Robert Elder*, *William Feake*, *William Crowche*, *William Cooke*, *George Robartes*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Nicholas Hawkesforde* and *Peter Noxeson*, who say that

Robert Younge was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage wherein *John Osbourne* formerly dwelt, with all shops, cellars, &c., lying in the street called Billingsgate in the parish of the Blessed Mary Athill in the ward of Billingsgate within the City of London, on the west part of a piece of land there called Romelande: which said messuage is held of the Queen by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, £3.

Robert Younge died 25 November, 1576; *Thomas Younge* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 17 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 216, No. 4.

David Smith, Citizen and Imbrotherer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 October, 30 Eliz. [1588], before *George Bonde*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *David Smithe*, citizen and Imbrotherer of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickinsonne*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *John Jackson*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Stoddard*, *William Povey*, *Roger Hole*, *John Bonde*, *John Stevens*, *William Harvie*, *William Cooke*, *William Crowche*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Roberts*, *Stephen Porter*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Thomas Smithe* and *Hugh Ingram*, who say that

David Smithe long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that capital messuage, sometime in the tenure of *Adrian Poyninges*, knight, and now or late in the several tenures of *George Moore*, Esq., *Francis Bourne*, trumpeter (buccinatoris) *Richard Blethin*, merchant tailor, *Roger Lockeley*, joiner, and *William Watson*, "imbrotheror," situate in the parish of St. Benedict *alias* Bennett near Powles wharfe in the City of London, with all the shops, cellars, entries, yards, &c., to the said capital messuage belonging, or at any time used by the said *Adrian Poyninges*: which said capital messuage the said *David Smith* lately purchased to him and his heirs for ever of the grant of *George Moore*, esq., and *Anne* his wife one of the daughters and heirs of the said *Adrian Poyninges*; also of all that messuage lying in the parishes of St. Peter and St. Benedict in the ward of Castle Baynarde, London, late in the tenure of *John Goldinge*, citizen and "imbrotheror" of London, with all shops, cellars, &c.: which said messuage the said *David Smith* lately purchased to him and his heirs of the feoffment of *Edmund Hilles*, late citizen and woodmonger of London, deceased; all those 4 tenements following, *viz.*, the tenement late in the tenure of *Margery Stanley alias Greene*, the tenement late in the occupation of *Richard Butt*, and afterwards occupied by *Matthew Greene*, hatmaker, the tenement in the tenure of *John Forman*, waterman, and afterwards occupied by *Patrick Welche*, and the tenement late in the tenure of *Patrick Tegge*, and afterwards occupied by *John Whittacres*, dyer: which said 4 tenements are situated between the mansion house now or late of *Matthew Prellio* in Theamesstreate in the parish of St. Benedict, London, on the east, and a large messuage of the said *David Smithe*, lately occupied by *Dame Juliana Holcrofte*, widow, on the west part; also all that piece of waste ground abutting upon the brick wall of a certain garden of the capital house lately called Mountjoye place and now *anglicé* called the Doctors Commons towards the north, and upon the said tenement now or late in the occupation of the said

Margery Stanley and the tenement late in the tenure of the said *Richard Butt* towards the south, and lying between the lower (posteriores) parts of the said mansion house of the said *Matthew Prellio* on the east and the said tenement now or late occupied by the said *John Whittacres* on the west, and 3 of the said tenements and the entry of the said tenement so occupied by the said *John Whittacres* abutting upon the street called *Thamesstreate* towards the south, the said tenement occupied by the said *John Whittacres* abutting towards the north upon a certain shed now or lately occupied by *Thomas Martyn*, Doctor of Civil Law, and towards the south upon the said tenement occupied by the said *Patrick Welche*: which said 4 tenements with the waste piece of ground contain in breadth on the south part 34 feet and 9 inches of assize, and on the north part 31 feet and 4 inches of assize, and were purchased by the said *David Smithe* of *Matthew Prellio* of London, hatmaker; also all that yard or parcel of land and a house in ruins built thereupon, being in the parish of St. Benedict next *Pawles wharfe*, parcel of a tenement there called *le Rose* abutting on the south part upon the land there late of *Sencee Ibgrive*, widow, on the north and west part upon certain tenements of the Queen and certain tenements of the heirs of *Thomas Pierson*, and upon the land sometime of *Smalledge Stanley* on the east: which said yard and house contain in length from the north towards the south to the yard and tenement of the said *Sencee Ibgrave* 47 feet, $4\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and in breadth in the north part by the land of the Queen 18 feet, $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and in length in the south part by the land there of the Queen 22 feet; also of all that way or entry leading from the street called *Themestreate* to the said yard and house in ruins: which said way contains in length 32 feet, $7\frac{1}{2}$ inches, and in breadth 4 feet and 3 inches of assize: which said yard and house the said *David Smithe* purchased of the feoffment of the said *Sencee*.

So seised, the said *David Smithe* made his will as follows: I will that *Katheryn* my wife shall have and enjoy my lands, tenements, &c., in *Thamestreet* in the said parish of St. Bennetts near *Paul's wharfe*, at *Pawles wharfes hill* and *St. Peter's Hill* and elsewhere within the said City of London for her life; after her decease, I give to my son *Jordaine Smithe* and the heirs of his body the remainder of those my messuages late in the several tenures of *Henry Benneman*, deceased, *Humfrey White* and *Richard Freth*, lying in *Theamestreet* against *Baynardes Castle*; for default of such issue, the remainder thereof to *William Smithe* my son and the heirs of his body.

After the death of my said wife I give to my said son *William* the remainder of my 4 messuages late parcel of a late capital messuage or mansion house sometime of *Sir Adrian Poyninges*, knight, deceased,

situate in Pawles wharfe hill, as they are now divided from the back part of the said late capital house: which back part opens to St. Peter's Hill, and which said 4 tenements open towards Paul's wharf hill, and now are or late were in the several tenures of *Francis Bourne*, trumpeter, *Richard Blethenn*, merchant tailor, *William Watson*, imbrotherer, and *Roger Lockley*, joiner, together with 1 little yard on the back part of the yards of ——— *Blethen* and *Watson*, late in the tenure of one *Smith* a baker and now in my own hands, which opens upon St. Peter's Hill: to hold the same with the use of the well to the said *William Smithe* and the heirs of his body; for default, the remainder thereof to the said *Jordan Smithe* and the heirs of his body. If both my said sons die without issue, I give to my said wife if living, or if she be dead, to the Mayor, Commonalty and citizens of the City of London, governors of the possessions of the hospitals of King Edward the VI. called Christs, Bridwell and St. Thomas the Apostle and to their successors, full power and authority to sell the said lands to any person in fee simple to the best profit they can, and to divide the money coming from such sale amongst my 6 daughters, or if they be dead, to their issue, £10 only to be reserved to the only use of the treasurer and governors of Christ's Hospital. If the said Mayor and Commonalty will buy them for the use of the said Christ's Hospital, they shall have them £20 "better cheape" than any one else.

I give to the said Mayor and Commonalty the 6 new built tenements (built by me) for 6 poor widows to dwell in rent free: which said tenements are built upon the back of the said late house late in the tenure of the said *Sir Adrian Poyninges* towards St. Peter's Hill, and stand within the Ward of Castle Baynard, and from henceforth I wish them to be called the "poore widowes Alley or poore widowes Inne"; also my capital house called Woodmonger's Hall which I lately purchased to me and my heirs of *Edmund Hilles* of London, woodmonger, being directly at the west end of the said "poore widowes Alley," and standing between the "Colledge of the Harrolles on the north side and the 4 tenements given by me to my said son *William* on the south side, and opening to Pawles wharfe hill on the west side, where the said woodmongers and *Sir William Herbert*, knight, have their way and passages into the street; also all those my "neather Rowmes" lying within the stone walls under the said house called Woodmongers Hall, now in the occupation of *Samuel Pratt* "imbrotherer," which I purchased to me and my heirs of *George Moore*, esq., and his wife; also a little yard or backside leading into a well on the south side of the same containing in breadth from east to west, with the use of the said well with the rest of the tenements and poor widowes [alley] there, with free ingress, egress

and regress to and from the same from the said alley to and from St. Peter's Hill: to hold the said 6 tenements immediately after the death of my said wife for the term of 1,000 years, and the residue of the said premises to the only use of the Governors of Christ's Hospital for ever, as by the said testament dated 7 April, 1587, more fully it may appear.

The capital messuage in the parish of St. Benedict and the said messuage late in the tenure of *John Goldinge* in said parishes of St. Peter and St. Benedict are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The 4 tenements and piece of waste ground in the said parish of St. Benedict are held of the Queen in free and common socage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The said yard and ruinous house and the entry in the said parish of St. Benedict are held of the Queen by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, 13s. 4d.

David Smithe died 10 August, 29 Eliz. [1587]; *William Smithe* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 22 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 217, No. 109.

Andrew Garrett, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 October, 30 Eliz. [1588], before *George Bonde*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Andrew Garrett*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dyckenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harryson*, *John Jackson*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Stoddard*, *William Poye*, *Roger Holl*, *John Stevens*, *William Harvy*, *William Cooke*, *William Crowche*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Robertes*, *Stephen Porter*, *Thomas Wiggs*, *Thomas Smithe* and *Hugh Ingram*, who say that

Andrew Garrett was seised in his demesne as of fee of 6 messuages lying in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft; and 4 messuages lying within the close of the late priory of St. Helen within Bisshoppesgate in the parish of St. Helen; and 3 other messuages in the said parish of St. Andrew Undershaft within the City of London: all which said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and by the yearly rent of 19s. 11d., and are worth per ann., clear, £5.

Andrew Garrett died 31 July last past; *Robert Garrett* is his son and heir, and was then aged 38 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 218, No. 6.

John Morley, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 2 January, 30 Eliz. [1588], before *George Bond*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Morley*, esq., by the oath of *Robert Diconson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harryson*, *William Layer*, *John Jackson*, *John Stoddard*, *Robert Elder*, *William Harvy*, *William Feake*, *John Bonde*, *John Stevens*, *George Roberts*, *Thomas Seawell*, *Stephen Porter*, *Nicholas Haukesford*, *Peter Noxton*, *Thomas Smyth*, *Thomas Wigges*, *Richard Trafford* and *Hugh Ingram*, who say that

John Morley and *Elizabeth Morley* late the wife of the said *John* were seised, viz., the said *Elizabeth* in her demesne as of free tenement for the term of her life, and the said *John* in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage wherein he dwelt which before was called *lez Werslers*, situate in the street called *Aldrichgate* alias *Aldersgate* streete in the parish of *St. Buttolph* without the gate of the City of London called *Aldersgate*; a certain yearly rent of 10s. issuing out of certain messuages and tenements called *Lambe alley* alias *Mayden alley*, situate in the said parish and street, purchased by the said *John Morley* and *Elizabeth* of *Anthony Roue* and *Etheldreda* his wife now deceased; 5 tenements and 1 garden now divided into 5 gardens, lying in the said parish of *St. Buttolph*, abutting between the said capital messuage and the said tenements called *Lambe alley*, purchased by the said *John Morley* and *Elizabeth* of *William Necton* of London, esq., and *Elizabeth* his wife: which said 5 tenements and garden were charged by the said *William Necton* and are still charged with a yearly rent of £12 for 9 years next following the feast of *St. Michael*, 27 Eliz. [1585]: which said yearly rent the said *John Morley* confirmed by deed dated 18 March, 28 Eliz. [1586], and charged as well the said capital messuage as the said 5 messuages and other the premises.

The said *John Morley* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of a yearly rent of 40s. issuing out of a messuage in the tenure of *Edward Wotton*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, formerly divided into 2 tenements situate in the street called *Woodstreet* in the parish of *St. Alban*, as by an indenture dated 7 July, 29 Eliz., made between the said *John Morley* of the one part and the said *Edward Wotton* of the other part more fully appears.

So seised, the said *John Morley* by indenture tripartite dated 9 November, 29 Eliz., made between himself of the one part, *John Sotherton* 4th baron of the court of Exchequer, *Robert Frere* (?), *Robert Petre*, *Thomas Crompton* and *Edmund Downinge* of London, esquires of the 2nd part, and *John Morley*, *Edward Morley* and *William Morley*

sons of the said *John*, and *Mary*, *Elizabeth* and *Magdalene Morley* daughters of the said *John*, of the 3rd part assured the said premises to the use of himself for life; after his decease, to the use of *Elizabeth Morley* then his wife for life, in recompense of her jointure; after her decease, to the use of the said *John Morley* the son and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the said *Edward Morley* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the said *William Morley* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *John Morley* the father; for default, then to the use of the said *Mary Morley*, and the heirs of her body; for default, to the use of the said *Elizabeth Morley*, 2nd daughter of the said *John Morley*; for default, then to the use of the said *Magdalen Morley* and the heirs of her body; for default, then to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *John Morley* the son; for default, then to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *Edward*; for default, to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *William Morley*; and for default, then to the use of the right heirs of the said *John*, *Edward* and *William Morley* the sons for ever.

The said capital messuage and garden called *lez Wreslers*, the said 5 tenements and garden and the said yearly rent of 10s. are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, by the — part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, only 10s. until the end of the said term of 9 years, and afterwards they will be worth per ann., clear, £8. The said yearly rent of 40s. issuing out of the tenements in the parish of St. Alban is held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

John Morley died 14th November last past; *John Morley* is his son and heir and was aged 15 years and not more on the 20th day of July last past.

The said *Elizabeth* wife of the said *John Morley* still survives in the said parish of St. Botolph without Aldersgate.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 218, No. 20.

Robert Trappes, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 12 March, 30 Eliz. [1588], before *George Bonde*, Mayor and escheator, *William Necton*, gent., feodary, and *William Onslowe*, gent., Commissioners, after the death of *Robert Trappes* of London, Esq., by the oath of *Robert Dickonson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harryson*, *John Jackson*, *John Stodderd*, *William Povey*, *William Harvie*, *William Feake*, *John*

Bond, John Steavens, William Cooke, George Robertes, Stephen Porter, Nicholas Hawkeford, Peter Noxton, Thomas Seawell, Hugh Ingröme and Robert Elder, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Robert Trappes*, one *Robert Trappes* his father was seised in his demesne as of fee of 9 messuages lying in the parishes of St. Leonard and St. John Zachary in Foster Lane in the City of London, in the tenures of *William Atkinson, Evans Thomas, William Squier, John Dallie, John Lockley* and *Thomas Rosse*; 5 messuages situate in the lane called Saint Brides lane in the parish of St. Bridgett in Fleetstreate, in the tenure of *Thomas Cranmer*; 5 messuages lying in the parish of St. Laurence in Old Jewry in Catteton and Mylkestreate in the said City, in the several tenures of *John Foxe*, goldsmith, *Henry Wetherid, William Chritlowe, Robert Bate* and *William Style*; 45 messuages in the parish of Christchurch in the said City in the tenure of *John Lawne, Francis Greene, Richard Merian, William Mascall, Francis Clarke* and *Gamelin Pie*; 6 messuages and 3 gardens in Whitecrosse streate and Shusshestreate in the parish of St. Giles without Creplegate, without the bars of the City of London, in the tenures of *Thomas Nash, John Hewer, Thomas Reade, Richard Lee, Bartholomew Barnes, John Harrison* and *Henry White*; 6 messuages in the tenure of *Roger James* in Whitecrosse streate and Shusshestreate; the manor of Trendies in Rawreth in co. Essex; 1 messuage and 40 a. of land in Hockeley in co. Essex in the tenure of *Thomas Speake*, 1 messuage and 140 a. of land called Moones in Essex in the tenures of *John Wryght* and *Lawrence Hollingsworth*, in the said county of Essex; 1 messuage and 200 a. of land called Northpittes in Canondon in the tenure of *John Locke*; 1 rent charge of £20, issuing out of the manor of Alberough in the said county, 1 water mill in Lewsham in co. Kent; 1 tenement there called le Mill Tenement; 10 a. of land, 6 a. of meadow there in the tenure of *Thomas Stephens* and *Edmund Arthure*, the manor of Barmondsey with the fishing and fowling in the waters and marshes of Barmondsay and Reddreth Marshes in the said county in the several tenures of divers tenants by indenture; 60 a. of land in Barmondsay in the tenure of *William Peake* in co. Surrey; and the manor of Deptforde Strand in Camerwell and Reddreth in said counties of Kent and Surrey, now in the tenures of *Margery Reade*, widow, and *Christopher Horwoode*.

And so seised he took to wife *Dorothea Browne* late his wife.

And afterwards the said *Robert Trappes* the father died at London, and the said *Dorothea* survived him.

All the said premises then descended to the said *Robert Trappes* named in the said commission, as his son and heir, and he being thereof

seised assigned to *William Atkinson* and *Dorothy* his wife for her dower happening out of the lands and tenements of the said *Robert* the father, the said 9 messuages in the said parishes of St. Leonard and St. John Zachary in Foster Lane, the said 8 messuages with the Slaughterhouses in the parish of Christchurch, the said 45 messuages in said parish of Christchurch, the said 60 a. of land and meadow in Barmondsey, the said manor of Trendeis and the premises in Asheldon called Moones; and the 3rd part of all the said lands and tenements in Lewsham and Deptford Strand, by pretext whereof the said *William* and *Dorothy* entered into the said premises and were and still are thereof seised in their demesne as of free tenement for the term of the life of the said *Dorothy* in her right: which said *Dorothy* still survives at Bansted in co. Surrey; the reversion thereof belonging to the said *Robert Trappes* and his heirs.

So seised, the said *Robert Trappes* made his will as follows [here given in English]: I give the disposition of all my goods, money, jewels, &c. to my wife *Katherine Trappes*.

To my sister *Dorothy Trappes* I give 200 marks, at her day of marriage or age of 21.

I give to each of my brethren *Roger*, *Rowland*, *Giles*, *William*, *Ralph*, *Andrew*, and *Richard* £10 yearly.

Touching the disposition of my lands I will that where *Dorothy Atkinson* "my naturall Mother" holds certain lands of my assignment in recompence of her dower, the reversion thereof belonging to me and my heirs for ever; and whereas in consideration of our marriage I assured to *Katherine* my wife for life certain lands in satisfaction of her dower, the reversion thereof likewise being to me and my heirs; and whereas I am indebted to divers persons and have given divers legacies, I make my will as follows: I leave to descend to my son and heir apparent *Robert Trappes* all my lands and tenements in Whitecrossestrate in the several tenures of *Roger James*, . . . *Reade*, *John Hewer*, . . . *Harrison*, . . . *Barnes*, and . . . *Nashe*, and all my lands and hereditaments in the tenure of . . . *Peake* in co. Essex, and a yearly rent of £20 issuing out of certain lands in Alberough Hatch in the said county, being a full third part of all my lands, but if the said *Katherine* refuse to stand to the said lands then I assign to her my lands and tenements in the tenure of *John Locke* in co. Essex, my manor of Barmondsey, all my lands and tenements in Barmondsey and Redderyffe, and the advowson of the parish Church of Barmondsey, all my lands, &c., late in the tenure of *Christopher Horwoode* in co. Surrey, all his lands, &c., at Lewsham, and all his lands, &c., in the parish of Christchurch in the City of London in the tenures of . . . *Lawne*, *Francis Grene* and

. . . *Clarke*. The residue of my lands I give to my uncles *Henry* and *William Kylligrewe*, esquires, my father-in-law *Thomas Owen*, and to *William Atkinson* and *William Onslowe*, esquires, to perform my will. If my said son *Robert* die in his minority, then I give my lands, &c., to my said uncles, father-in-law and friends to pay the legacy to my said sister *Dorothy* and to perform my will. When my said son attains the age of 21, the said lands shall remain to him.

I give to the poor of the parish where I shall die £3, and to the poor of *Barmondsey* £3.

To my cousin *Mistress Wyne* 40s.

If my brother *Rowland Trappes* shall be cast in arrearages in account to his mistress or *Mr. Burnell*, I give towards his discharge £40.

I make *Katherine* my wife exr̃ix and my said uncles and friends supervisors.

The said 45 messuages in the parish of *St. Nicholas in le Flesh-shambles* now in that of *Christchurch* are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not. The 8 messuages with le slaughterhowses in the parish of *Christchurch* assigned to the said *Dorothy* are worth nothing during the lifetime of the said *Dorothy*, but afterwards they will be worth £15 per ann. The residue of the premises in the said parish of *Christchurch* are worth per ann., clear, £15. The premisses in the parish of *St. Leonard* and *St. Johns Zachary* are held of the Queen in free burgage, and during the life of the said *Dorothy* they are worth nothing, but afterwards they will be worth per ann., clear, £26 13s. 4d. The messuages in *Milkestreate* and *Catteton* and *Fleetstreate* are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £33 4s. 8d. The premises in *Shusstreate* and *Whitecrossestreate* in said parish of *St. Giles* are held of the Dean and Chapter of *St. Paul's, London*, as of their manor of *Fynesburie* by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £36. The manor of *Trendies* in co. *Essex*, the premises in *Hockley* in the said county, the lands in *Ashendon* called *Moones* in the said county and the said marsh called *Northpittes* in *Canondon* are held of *Henry Lord Honesdon*, chamberlain of the Queen, as of his manor of *Rawreth* by fealty and suit at the court of his said manor every 3 weeks: the said manor called *Treindeis* is worth nothing during the life of the said *Dorothy*, and after her death it will be worth per ann., clear, £6: the said lands in *Hockley* are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d.: the said lands called *Moones* are worth nothing during the life of the said *Dorothy*, and afterwards they will be worth per ann., clear, £5. The marsh called *Northpittes* is worth per ann., clear, £10. The water

mill and other the premises in Lewsam are held of the Queen as of her honor of Eltam, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. during the life of the said *Dorothy*, and after her decease £4. The manor of Barmondsey with the fishing and fowling in the waters and marshes of Barmondsey and Redereth Marshes and the lands in the several tenures of divers free tenants, and other the lands in Barmondsey now in the tenure of *William Peake* are held of the Queen by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not: the said manor and lands are worth per ann., clear, £10. The said 60 a. of land in Barmondsey and Redereth in the tenure of the said *William Peake* are worth nothing during the life of the said *Dorothy*, and afterwards they will be worth per ann., clear, £5. The manor of Deptford Strond and all the premises in Deptford, Camerwell and Redreth late in the tenure of *Margery Reade* and *Christopher Horwoode* are held of the Queen as of her honor of Eltam by fealty and suit at court, and are worth per ann., clear, during the life of the said *Dorothy* £8, and after her death £12.

Robert Trappes died 27 April last past, *Robert Trappes* is his son and next heir, and was aged 6 years on the 11th day of June last past.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 218, No. 46.

Edward Earl of Rutland.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 3 July, 30 Eliz. [1588], before *George Bonde*, knight, Mayor of the City of London, *John Sotherton*, esq., one of the Barons of the Exchequer, *William Fletewode*, esq., serjeant at law and recorder of the said City, and *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City, commissioners, after the death of *Edward Earl of Rutland*, by vertue of a commission to them and *Henry Graye*, knight, *William Cooke*, esq., and *Jeronimus Hawley*, esq., directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Sawell*, *John Harrison*, *William Harvey*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *John Stoddard*, *William Feake*, *William Crowche*, *William Cooke*, *George Robertes*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Nicholas Haukesford*, *Peter Noxton* and *Thomas Wiggess*, who say that

Edward late *Earl of Rutland* on the 8th day of January, 17 Eliz. [1575] was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manors of Warter, Seyton, Rose, Landrick, Nessemore, Storthwayte with Melborne and Snaylesworth in co. York; the late priory of Walter; 300 messuages, 100 tofts, 10 mills, 10 dovecotes, 200 gardens, 200 orchards, 3,000 a. of land, 1,000 a. of meadow, 2,000 a. of pasture, 1,000 a. of wood, 1,000 a. of furze and wood, 500 a. of marsh, 300 a. of moor and 10 librates of

rent in Warter, Seyton, Rose, Landrick, Nessemore, Storthwayte, Melborne, Snaylesworth, Middleton, Thornton, Ripplingcotes, Bisshopsburton, Lownd and West Elley; the rectories of Warter and Lownd, the manor of Walthamstowe Tonye in co. Essex; 60 messuages, 60 cottages, 30 tofts, 60 gardens, 60 orchards, 1,000 a. of land, 500 a. of meadow, 1,000 a. of pasture, 200 a. of wood, 200 a. of furze and heath, 200 a. of marsh, 100 a. of moor and 40s. rent in Walthamstowe Tony and common of pasture there, in co. Essex; and 50 messuages, 10 gardens, 30 shops and 20 cellars in London.

So seised, the said Earl by indenture dated on the said 8th day of January, made between himself of the one part, and *Dame Juliana Holcroft* of Vale Ryall in co. Chester, widow, of the other part, in consideration of the sum of £1,000 to him paid by the said *Dame Juliana*, and in consideration of a certain grant made by her of a certain estate or term of years in the rectory of Fordsham in co. Chester, and in consideration of a marriage then before had between the said Earl and the *Lady Isabella* then Countess of Rutland wife of the said Earl and daughter of the said *Dame Juliana*—agreed that he before the 1st day of June then next following would convey all the said premises by fine or otherwise to the said *Lady Isabella*, *Dame Juliana Holcrofte*, *Thomas Manners*, knight, *John Manners*, esq., *Gilbert Gerrard*, esq., then the Queen's Attorney General, *Robert Marckam*, esq., and *Thomas Holcroft*, esq., brother of the said Countess and their heirs for ever, to the use of the said Earl and Countess and the heirs of the said Earl for ever.

Afterwards, *viz.*, in Easter term, 17 Eliz. (before the said 1st day of July) the said *Dame Juliana* and others by writ *de ingressu super disseisinam in le post* recovered the said premises against the said Earl to the use of the said Earl and Countess and the heirs of the said Earl for ever: by pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said Earl and Countess were thereof seised, and the said *Isabella* still is thereof seised as of free tenement for the term of her life.

The said Earl was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee or fee tail of the reversion of 1 mansion or messuage called le new Eagle, the reversion of the site and demesne lands of the preceptory called le Eagle in co. Lincoln; the reversion of the manors of Wragbie and Melton Roos in co. Lincoln; and of divers lands, tenements and hereditaments in Wragbie, Pannton, Este Terrington, West Terrington, Hardwick, Melton Roos, Glamsford, Brigg or elsewhere in the said County of Lincoln, then used and had as parts of the said manors of Melton Roos and Wragbie, immediately expectant on the death of the *Lady Bridget Countess of Bedford* mother-in-law (socř) of the said late

Earl, *viz.*, late the wife of *Henry late Earl of Rutland* father of the said Earl named in the writ, and whereof the said *Countess of Bedford* was then seised in her demesne as of freehold for the term of her life, and agreed with the said *Dame Juliana* that he within 6 months then next following would make to the said *Dame Juliana* and others by fine or otherwise a good and sufficient estate in the law in fee simple of the reversion of the said premises in co. Lincoln: to hold to them and their heirs to the use of the said Earl and Countess and the heirs of the said Earl for ever.

A fine was levied at Westminster in the Morrow of the Ascension of Our Lord, 17 Eliz., between the said *Dame Juliana Holcrofte, Thomas Manners, John Manners, Gilbert Gerrard, Thomas Holcrofte* and *Robert Marcham*, plts., and the said late Earl, deforciant, of the same reversion, whereby the said Earl acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *Dame Juliana*, as those which she and the said *Thomas* and others had of his gift, and the same remised to them and the heirs of the said *Dame Juliana* for ever: which said fine was levied to the uses specified in the said indenture.

The said *Bridget Countess of Bedford* still survives at Cheyney in co. Hartford.

Theophilus Adams of London, gent., and *Robert Adams* of London, grocer, were seised in their demesne as of fee of the manors of Highehall and Lawehall *alias* Walthamstowe Tony and Walthamstow Fraunces in the said county of Essex; 2 woods, one whereof is called Hale Brynck and the other Bakers marche, containing 4 a., parcel of the lands and possessions lately called Copertners lands; and divers lands and tenements in Boynton in the said county of York, late parcel of the possessions of *Leonard Dacres*, esq., attainted of high treason, and so seised, by indenture dated 14 Oct., 25 Eliz. [1583] made between themselves of the one part, and the said Earl and *Countess Isabella* of the other part, for a certain sum of money to them paid by the said Earl, sold to the said Earl and Countess the said premises and the reversion thereof: to hold to them and the heirs of the said Earl for ever, in as ample manner as the said *Theophilus* and *Robert* held the same of the gift of the Queen by her Letters Patent dated at Wheldhall in co. Essex, 27 July, 25 Eliz., to be held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only, in free and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service, and paying yearly for the said premises in Essex 26s. 8d., and for those in Boynton 6s. 8d. By pretext whereof the said Earl and Countess were thereof seised to them and the heirs of the said Earl for ever.

The said Earl was seised as of fee and right of the reversion or

remainder of the manor of Eykering in co. Nottingham, and 20 messuages, 20 cottages, 10 tofts, 20 dovescotes, 20 gardens, 20 orchards, 500 a. of land, 300 a. of pasture, 200 a. of wood, 300 a. of furze and heath, 300 a. of moor and 40s. rent in Eckring expectant on the death of the said *Countess Bridget*, who then held and still holds the same for her life; and so seised by other indentures dated 10 March, 21 Eliz. [1579] made between himself of the one part, and the said *Gilbert Gerrard* and *Thomas Holcrofte* of the other part, in augmentation of the jointure of the said *Countess Isabella* and for divers other considerations agreed that he before the last day of Trinity Term then next following would sufficiently assure by fine or otherwise the said reversion to the said *Gilbert* and *Thomas*: after which said fine and assurance the said *Gilbert* and *Thomas* should be seised of the said reversion to the use of the said Earl and *Countess Isabella* and the heirs of the said Earl for ever.

Afterwards, viz., in the Octaves of St. Michael, 21 Eliz., a fine was levied between the said *Gilbert Gerrard* and *Thomas Holcrofte*, plts. and the said Earl, deforciant, of the said manor and premises in Eckering, whereby the said Earl acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *Gilbert*, and granted that the said premises which *Francis* then *Earl of Bedford* and *Bridget* his wife then held for the life of the said *Bridget* of the inheritance of the said Earl, and which after her decease should revert to the said Earl and his heirs, should wholly remain to the said *Gilbert* and *Thomas* and the heirs of the said *Gilbert*: which said fine was levied to the uses specified in the said last recited indenture.

The said *Francis Earl of Bedford* afterwards died, and the said *Lady Bridget* is still thereof seised as of free tenement for her life, the reversion thereof belonging to the said *Lady Isabella* for her life.

The said *Edward* late *Earl of Rutland* on the last day of February, 25 Eliz., made a certain deed as follows [here given in full in English]: whereas I by fine and other conveyances have assured, *inter alia*, the manors of Fryston and Butterwick in co. Lincoln, and all other my lands and tenements in Fryston, Rakethorpe, Haltoft, Braydethorpe, Butterwick and Outhouse in the said county to the uses expressed in an indenture dated 29 March, 21 Eliz., made between myself of the one part, and *William Lord Burleigh*, High Treasurer of England, *Thomas Earl of Sussex*, *Henry Earl of Huntington* and others [not named] of the other part, wherein is contained a proviso that it should be lawful for me at any time to alter any uses therein contained, and to appoint the use of the said premises to the persons therein nominated or to any other persons whatsoever in fee simple, fee tail or term of life or years

at my free will : I now hereby limit the use of the said premises to the said *Lady Isabella* my wife for her life if she survive me and the said *Lady Bridget* now Countess of Bedford, provided always that if my said wife do not permit the persons to whom I shall have demised the said premises to occupy the same without expulsion or suit, then, after such eviction I limit the use of the said premises to the heirs male of my body ; for default, then to the heirs male of the body of *Thomas* late *Earl of Rutland* my grandfather ; for default, to the heirs of the body of *Sir Robert Manners*, knight, grandfather of the said *Thomas* late *Earl of Rutland* ; and for default, then to my heirs. By pretext whereof the said *Lady Isabella* is now seised as of free tenement for the term of her life of the reversion of the said premises in co. Lincoln, expectant upon the estate of the said *Lady Bridget* who now holds the same for life.

The said *Edward* late *Earl of Rutland* being seised of the said premises, and moreover being seised in his demesne as of fee of the manors of Kilvyngton, Thornbraugh, Midleton and Semer Lynton on the Ouse, the rectories of Warter and Lund in co. York, and divers manors, lands, tenements, rents, services and hereditaments in Storthwayte, Melbourne, Llandricknes upon the moor of Storthwayte and Melbourne, Seton, Roos Seton, Warter, Warterholme in Spalding, Meltingby, Keswick, Ferreby, Swanland, Westlebye, Alborough, Chery Burton, Busshopsburton, Newton Garth, Lound, Barton, Levenyng, Westlowe, Acclome, Kelvington, Thornbarche, Midleton, Wheldrake, Marcflete, Ulram, Barmsburton, Fossam, Oldburgh, Kingburgh, Wydernewick Ryall, Attwick, Wassand, Benyngham, Grymston, Garton in Holdernes, Monckwick, Tonstall, Waxam, Hompten, Hornesey, Ottringham, Ederwick, Estnewton, Pale Heydon, Seymer, Boynton, Homanby and Halykeld in the said county of York, the reversion of the fee farm and rent of the City of York, the reversion of the manor of Rosse in Holderness, and divers lands and tenements in Rosse expectant on the death of *John* late *Earl of Rutland*, the reversion of the manor of Turnam Hall and Cliff expectant on the death of *Thomas Manners*, knight, and *Theodocia* his wife ; the manor and rectory of Surfleete, and divers lands and tenements in Surflete, Gosberton and Maynfleete and elsewhere and the manor of Gouerby in co. Lincoln—made his will 20 Nov., 1583, as follows [here given in English] : I will that my body be buried in the parish Church of Bottesford in co. Leicester where other of my ancestors lie buried, and that my executors shall spend £100 at the least upon my tomb.

I make my brother *John Manners*, esq., exōr., provided that he being in England at the time of my death do within 3 months enter

into bond in the sum of £10,000 to the supervisors of this my will to satisfy all my legacies and debts.

I give to my supervisors for the performance of this my will 2 full parts of all the premises mentioned in an indenture (mentioned above) dated 29 March, 21 Eliz., and made between myself and Lord Burleigh and others, and of all other my manors, lands and tenements within the realm of England: to hold to my said supervisors to the use of my exōrs. for the performance of this my will for 7 years. If the heir of my body be within age at the end of the said term, then I appoint 2 parts of all the manors, lands, &c., which ought to descend to such heir to my said supervisors to the said uses until the said heir ought to have livery out of the Queen's hands. If *Elizabeth* my eldest daughter be of the age of 16 years at my death, or attain that age during the said term, then so much of the said use of all the said premises as is bequeathed to the said *Elizabeth* and the heirs of her body as is hereafter mentioned shall cease, and such manors, lands, &c., shall go to the said *Elizabeth* and the heirs of her body. If my said brother will not enter into such bond, I make my 3 uncles *John Manners*, *Roger Manners* and *Sir Thomas Manners*, knight, and my cousin *George Chaworth*, esq., my exōrs., and if I have no heir male of my body my daughter *Elizabeth* shall hold for the life of my said brother all the premises specified in the said indenture, but if she die during the life of my said brother then my said last named exōrs. shall enjoy the same during the life of my said brother. After his death the same shall remain to such person to whom the same are limited by the said indenture.

I give to my wife all my term of years in the rectory and parsonage of Fordsam *alias* Frodsham in co. Chester which I have, by grant made by the said *Dame Julian Holcrofte*.

I give to *Mary Manners* daughter of the said *Sir Thomas Manners* 400 marks, *viz.*, 200 marks on the day of her marriage, and 200 marks within 6 months of her marriage, provided she marry a gentleman having 300 marks land of inheritance in possession, or such a person as shall be heir apparent to a gentleman having inheritance to the yearly value of 300 marks. The residue of my goods I give to my exōrs to perform my will, and they shall be answerable to the said heir male of the body of the said *Thomas* late *Earl of Rutland* at his age of 21. If the heirs male of my body do not yearly pay to the said *Sir Thomas Manners* my uncle a yearly rent of £80 for his life then I give to the said *Sir Thomas* so much land, parcel of my manor of Ryvalx in co. York as is now let for £100. Whereas the style and dignity of my barony of Roos for want of heirs male of my body is to descend to

my heir general because one of my ancestors whose heir I am married the heir of the Lord Roos by virtue whereof my ancestors enjoyed the title and dignity of the Lord Roos as descended on the part of the mother, and have so continued until their creation to the Earldom of Rutland: therefore because I suppose the style and dignity of the said barony not to be utterly extinguished but to remain suspended because the earldom of Rutland is entailed to the heirs male of *Thomas* late *Earl of Rutland* my grandfather, and the said barony is descendable to the heirs general: and whereas also I have assured by fine and otherwise divers of my honors, castles, manors, lands, &c., to the use of myself and the heirs male of my body, and for default, to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *Thomas* my grandfather, and for default, to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *Sir Robert Manners*, knight, grandfather of the said *Thomas*, and for default, to the use of my right heirs upon certain conditions declared in the said indenture of 29th March; and whereas I have since purchased divers messuages, lands, &c., lying within the manors, &c., mentioned in the said indenture which I desire may be conveyed in like manner, do not only give all the said premises so purchased, but also the manor of Snaylesworthe in co. York and the parsonage and rectory of Hoose in co. Leicester and the manor of Gonnerby and the portions of tithes in Ropesly, Hungarton and Wyvell in co. Lincoln—to the heirs male of my body; for default, to the heirs male of the body of the said *Thomas* late *Earl of Rutland*; for default, to the heirs of the body of the said *Sir Robert Manners*; and for default, to my right heirs upon the same conditions expressed in the said indenture.

I give to the said *Elizabeth* my daughter, if I have no heir male of my body my manors and lordships of Storthwayte in Melborne, Llandricknes upon the moor of Storthwayte and Melborne, Seyton Roose, Seyton Warter, Warter, Dighton Ingmanthorpe, Kilvyngton Thornbraugh, Mydleton, Rose in Holdernes and Semerlynton upon Ouse, Tarram Hall and Cliff in co. York, the rectories and parsonages of Warter and Lunde in the said County, and all other my manors, messuages, lands, &c., in Storthwayte, Melborne, Landricknes, Seyton Roose, Seyton Warter, Warter, Home in Spalding More, Meltingby, Risewik, Fereby, Swanland, Westleby, Alborough, Chery Burton, Busshopsburton, Newton, Garth, Lund, Barton, Levenyng, Westowe, Acclome, Dighton Ingmanthorpe, Kelvington, Thornbaugh, Midleton, Wheldrake, Rose in Holdernes, Marefleete, Ulram, Barnesburton, Fossham, Oldborough, Kingborough, Wydernewik, Riall, Attwick, Wassand, Bennyngham, Grymston, Garton in Holdernes, Mountewike Tonstall, Waxham, Hompton, Hornesey, Ottringham, Edderwick, Est-

newton, Paleheydon, Seymer, Boynton, Homanby and Hallykeld in co. York, the fee farm and rent of the City of York, my manor and parsonage of Surfleete and all my lands and tenements in Surfleete, Gosborton and Waynflete in co. Lincoln, my manor of Walthamstowe Tony *alias* Highehall in co. Essex, and all my messuages, lands and tenements in co. Essex, and all that messuage and tenement lying in St. Andrews Undershaft in the City of London commonly called Barkeleyes Inne, and the reversion of all the said premises: to hold after the said terms limited to my supervisors to the said *Elizabeth* and the heirs of her body; and for default, to remain to my right heirs for ever, provided that if the said *Elizabeth* marry any person other than a baron or heir apparent of a baron or one above the degree of a baron or the heir apparent of such a one, or other than a gentleman having lands of inheritance of the yearly value of £1,000, or the heir apparent of such gentleman, or if the said *Elizabeth* by herself or jointly with her husband shall attempt to levy any fine or suffer any recovery of the said premises, then the said manors, lands, &c., shall remain to my nephews *William, Francis and Thomas Courtnay* sons of *Sir William Courtnay*, knight, and my sister *Elizabeth* his wife and their heirs during the life of my said daughter *Elizabeth*, after her decease the same nevertheless to remain to the heirs of her body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever.

I give to the said *Elizabeth* if I have any heir male of my body when she shall attain the age of 18 £4000, provided she marry such a person as is above mentioned. My said executors to pay to her until she accomplish the said age of 18 £200 yearly towards her maintenance and finding.

Whereas I by deed dated the last day of February, 25 Eliz., have appointed that the manors of Fryston and Butterwick and all my lands, &c., in Friston, Rakethorpe, Haltoft, Braydethorpe, Butterwick and Outhouse in co. Lincoln immediately after the deaths of myself and the said *Dame Bridget* shall remain to the said *Lady Isabell* my wife for life in augmentation of her jointure: I now will that if my said wife or any of the tenants of the said premises shall be disturbed by the heirs male of my body, that as often as such disturbance shall happen my said wife shall have and enjoy the castle of Helmesley in co. York, and my manors of Helmesley, Haram and Sproxton in the said county, for so long as my said supervisors shall appoint.

In order that all my debts and legacies may be paid, and if the said 2 parts of all my manors, lands, &c., be not enjoyed by my supervisors in the manner above appointed I give to them my manors of Ravens-thorpe, Bolteby and Thirleby in co. York, they to make sale thereof

for the payment of my debts and legacies, and the performance of this my will, and so much thereof as shall be left unsold shall be by them assured to the heirs male of my body.

I give to *Sir Robert Constable*, knight, the use of 2 closes which he now occupies, being parcel of the demesnes of the castle of Newark, called Apleton and the great close during my term therein without paying any rent for the same; also an annuity of £30 issuing out of the said demesnes.

I will that my house and family shall be kept together for 1 month after my death.

My said wife to have the use of my lease and term of years of the castle and demesnes of Newark, and the parsonage of Newark, except the said 2 closes during the term of years yet to come in the same, she paying the said annuity and £20 to *Edward* and *Thomas Leverott*. If my said wife marry again, I give the same to the said *Elizabeth* my daughter.

And whereas I am possessed of several leases for several terms of years of the demesnes of the manor of Benyngton in co. Lincoln, and of the mills there, and of the rectories and parsonages of Bareston and Plungar in co. Leicester, and 1 portion of tithes in Botesford in co. Leicester and the lands and tenements in Wollesthorne in co. Lincoln, parcel of the inheritance of *Thomas Sandes*, esq., and the manor of Osewalby Soken in the said county of Nottingham, I now will that my first issue male shall have all the said premises for the said several terms of years; after his decease, the next issue male of the said issue shall enjoy the same, and so from issue male to issue male, but none of them to have power to alienate the whole interests.

I make *Sir Thomas Bromley*, knight, Lord Chancellor of England, *Sir William Cicill*, knight, *Lord Burghley*, Lord High Treasurer of England, *Sir Francis Walsingham*, knight, Principal Secretary to her Majesty, *Sir Walter Mildmay*, knight, Chancellor of her Majesty's Exchequer, *Sir Christopher Wraye*, knight, Lord Chief Justice of England, *Sir Gilbert Gerrard*, knight, Master of the Rolls, *Sir Edmond Anderson*, knight, Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, *Sir Phillip Sidney*, knt., and *Thomas Egerton*, esq., the Queen's Solicitor, supervisors.

The said Earl was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor and priory of Newstead in co. Lincoln, and 1 capital messuage called Crokehowse in . . . in co. Northumberland, and divers lands, tenements, &c., to the said messuage belonging, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Collingwood*; 1 other messuage in Uplande in said co. Northumberland and divers lands, &c., therewith used, now or late in the tenure of *Richard* . . . and 1 other messuage in Woller in the

said county late in the tenure of *L. [sic] Kyvelles*, widow, late the wife of *Francis Kyvelles*; divers lands and tenements in Shotton in the said county adjoining the confines of Scotland, and now lying waste for default of tenants; divers lands and tenements in Bamborough in the said county, now or late in the tenure of *John Foster*, knight; 13 messuages and 1 carucate of land called oxganges of land in Pottowe in co. York; 1 messuage in Newarke in co. Nottingham; 1 messuage in London in the parish of St. Andrew in the Wardrobe, now or late in the tenure of . . . *Toplyff*; and the advowson of the moiety of the Church of St. Andrew in the Wardrobe.

Richard Cholmeley, knight, and *Robert Roose*, esq., were seised in their demesne as of fee of the manors of Churchedighton *alias* Kirke-dighton and Ingmanthorpe in co. York; and of 60 messuages, 10 tofts, 1 windmill, 60 gardens, 2000 a. of land, 300 a. of meadow, 3000 a. of pasture, 2500 a. of wood, 2000 a. of furze and heath and £5 of rent in Churchedighton, Ingmanthorpe and Newson in co. York; the advowson of the Church of Churchdighton and view of frank pledge of Churchdighton.

They being so seised, a fine was levied at Westminster in Michaelmas Term, 4 Eliz. [1561-2], between *Henry Earl of Westmoreland*, *George Earl of Shrewsbury*, *Thomas Lord Wharton*, *Thomas Gargrave*, knight, *Nicholas Fairefax*, knight, *Marmaduke Constable*, knight, *John Manners*, *Roger Manners*, *Thomas Manners*, *Oliver Manners*, *Henry Savell*, *Christopher Crofte*, *Thomas Husey*, *Anthony Thorolde*, esq., *John Sidenham*, *William Segrave* and *Thomas Conyers*, plts., and the said *Richard Cholmeley* and *Robert Roose*, deforciantes, whereby the said *Richard* and *Robert* acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *Henry Earl of Westmoreland*, as those which he and the others abovenamed had of their gift, and the same remised to the said Earl of Westmoreland and the others abovenamed and to the heirs of the said Earl for ever: which said fine was levied to the use of the said *Robert Roose* for his life; after his decease, if he should happen to have a lawful wife, then as to said manor of Churchdighton to the use of such wife in the name of her jointure. If the said *Robert* have issue male and a daughter or daughters and no wife, then as to all the said premises to the use of the said daughters until each of them shall have received the sum of 200 marks. After such sums have been levied, then to the use of the first-born son of the body of the said *Robert*, and the heirs male of the body of such first-born son; for default, then to the use of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th son of the body of the said *Robert Roose* and the heirs male of each of them; and for default, to the use of the said *Edward Earl of Rutland*

and his heirs for ever. If the said *Robert* should die having a wife and issue male and female then as to all the said premises, except the said manor of Churchdighton and the reversion of the said manor immediately after the death of the said *Robert* to the use of the said daughters until the said several sums of 200 marks have been levied, afterwards to the use of the said 1st to the 10th son of said *Robert* and the heirs male of each of them and then to the use of the said *Edward* late *Earl of Rutland* and his heirs for ever. And if the said *Robert* should die having a wife and daughters and no son, then as to all the said premises and said reversion to the use of such daughters until each of them shall have taken the sum of 500 marks, and afterwards to the use of the said *Edward Earl of Rutland* and his heirs for ever. If the said *Robert* die having a wife, son or daughter then immediately after his death and before the raising of any such sums to the use of the executors of the said *Robert* until they have raised £300 towards the performance of his will, and afterwards to the use of the said daughters; but if he should die without wife, son or daughter, then to the use of the said executors until they have raised £400 to perform the said will, and immediately afterwards to the use of the said *Edward* late *Earl of Rutland* and his heirs for ever, as by certain indentures dated 30th April, 3 Eliz. [1561] made between the said *Richard Cholmeley* and *Robert Roose* of the one part and *Henry* late *Earl of Rutland* of the other part more fully appears.

Afterwards, in the 23rd year of Eliz. the said *Robert Roose* made his will, and appointed the said *John Manners* late *Earl of Rutland* and . . . Esq., to be his executors, and on the 22nd day of June, 25 Eliz. [1583] the said *Robert* died at Helmesley, leaving *Frances* his wife now the wife of *Charles Clappam* of Helmesley in co. York, gent., and an only daughter called *Bridget*, and no son. By pretext of the premises the said *Frances* entered into the said manor of Churchdighton and was and still is thereof seised in her demesne as of free tenement for term of her life. The said 500 marks were never raised to the use of the said *Bridget*.

The said *Edward* late *Earl of Rutland* died seised of the said manor of Ingmanthorpe and of the remainder of Churchdighton in his demesne as of fee, viz., to him and his heirs for ever.

The said *Frances* and *Bridget* still survive at Helmesley.

The said Earl long before his death was seised as of fee and right of the reversion of the manors of Turneham Hall and Clyff in co. York and of the said messuages, lands, &c., which are reputed to be parcel thereof, expectant on the death of *Thomas Manners*, knight; and so seised, by charter dated 22 May, 25 Eliz., granted the same to *Theodocia Manners* then the wife of the said *Thomas* for her life.

The said Earl was also seised in his demesne as of fee of all that grange, lands and tenements in co. York called Moreton Grange.

The manors, priory and rectories of Warter, Warter Seyton, Seyton Roose and other the premises in Warter, Warter Seyton and Seyton Roose together with the said rectory of Lound and other the premises in Holme in Spaldingmore, Fereby, Mettingby, Beswick, Swanlande, Westleley, Alborough, Cherryburton, Bisshopsburton, Midleton, Thornton, Kiplingcote, Weldrake and Newton Garth are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of 1 knight's fee, and by the yearly rent of £121 1s. 6d., and are worth per ann., clear, £25. The manor of Seyton Roose and other the premises there are held of the heirs of the Earl of March by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear £12 12s. The manor of Storthwaite with Melbourne and other the premises in Storthwaite, Melborne and Landrick on the moor of Storthwaite are held of the said heirs of the Earl of March by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £32 17s. 5½d. The manor of Snaylesworth and other the premises there are held of . . . and are worth per ann., clear, 100s. The manor of Walthamstowe Tony is held of the Queen by the service of the 20th part of 1 knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £30. The messuage and premises in London are held of the Queen in chief, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, 59s. 8d. The manors of Highehall and Lowehall and the woods called Haylebrinck and Bakers Marshe and the premises in Boynton are held of the Queen as of her manor of Eastgreenwich in co. Kent, by fealty only, in free and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service, and paying by the year to the said Queen for the said manors of Highehall and Lowehall 26s. 8d., and for the said premises in Boynton 6s. 8d., and they are worth per ann., clear, £10. The manor of Eagle and the site of the late priory of Eagle, together with the preceptory of Eagle and other the premises in Egle, Whisby and Haddington are held of the Queen in chief by the 15th part of a knight's fee and the yearly rent of £3 3s. 6d., and are worth per ann., clear, £17 12s. The manor of Wragbie and the advowson of the Churches of Esterrington and Haughton and other the premises in Wragbie, Paunton, Esterrington, Westerrington and Hardwick in co. Lincoln are held of the Queen by knight's service in chief by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £14 18s. 4d. Of whom or by what service the manor of Melton Roos and other the premises in Melton Roose and Glameford Briggs in co. Lincoln are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £20 4s. 6d. Of whom the manor of Eykring and other the premises there are held

the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £16 9s. 4d. The manor of Friston and Butterwick and other the premises in Friston, Rakethorpe, Haltofte, Braidsthorp, Outhowse and Butterwick in co. Lincoln are held of the heirs of *Walter Bedwarden* by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and they are worth per ann., clear, £26 13s. 4d. Of whom the manor of Turneham Hall with Clyff is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, £40. Of whom the manor of Linton upon Owse and other the premises there are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £50. Of whom the manor of Roose in Holdernes is held is not known: it is worth per ann., £40. The manor and rectory of Surfleete and other the premises in Surfleete are held [*sic*] and are worth per ann., clear, £20. The premises in Barton, Levington and Acclam are worth per ann., clear, £3 13s. The manor of Kilvyngton and Thornebargh are held . . . and are worth per ann. clear, £12. The manor of Seymor is worth per ann., clear, £13. The premises in Hallikeld are worth per ann., clear, 38s. 8d. The premises in Homanby are worth per ann., clear, £3 10s. The manor of Midleton is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage and premises in London and the advowson of the moiety of the Church of St. Andrew in le Wardrobe are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 500th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, 5s. The manor and priory of Newsted are worth per ann., clear, £15. Of whom the premises in Pottowe are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 35s. The grange and lands, &c., called Moreton Grange are held of . . . and are worth per ann., clear, 30s. Of whom the manor of Ingmanthorpe and other the premises there are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £16. Of whom the manor of Churchdighton with the advowson of the Church there and other the premises in Churchdighton and Newson is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £10. Of whom the residue of the premises is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, 20s.

Edward Earl of Rutland died in London 14 April, 29 Eliz. [1587] without issue male; *Elizabeth* now *Lady Roosse* is his daughter and sole heir, and was then aged 11 years, 3 months and 27 days: she still survives in London.

The said *Isabella* late the wife of the said Earl, the said *Bridget* now Countess of Bedford and formerly wife of the said *Henry* late Earl of Rutland father of the said *Edward* the late Earl, and the said *Thomas Mannors*, knight, and *Theodocia* his wife still survive, *viz.*, the said *Isabella* at London, the said *Bridget* at Cheyney, and the said *Thomas* and *Theodocia* at Nottingham.

Winifred Cowper.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 May, 30 Eliz. [1588], before *George Bonde*, knight, Mayor and escheator, to enquire concerning the idiotcy of *Winifred* one of the daughters and co-heirs of *William Cowper*, deceased, late of the said City, haberdasher, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *Thomas Russell*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Harrison*, *William Layer*, *John Bonde*, *John Stoddard*, *Robert Elder*, *William Crowche*, *Edmund Owen*, *William Cooke*, *William Povey*, *George Robertes*, *Hugh Ingram* and *Thomas Wiggess*, who say that

The said *Winifred Cowper* is an idiot, and not fit to govern herself or her manors, messuages, lands, &c., and has been an idiot since her birth and has not enjoyed lucid intervals.

The said *William Cowper* father of the said *Winifred* was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and certain lands, meadows and pastures thereto belonging lying in Arlesey in co. Bedford, and so seised, by indenture made between himself of the one part and *John Pelsant* citizen and grocer of London and *Edmund Brasey* citizen and clothworker of London of the other part, in consideration of a marriage to be had between the said *William Cowper* and *Joan Allen*, widow, and for a competent jointure to be assured to the said *Joan*, agreed with the said *John Pelsant* and *Edmund Brasey* that he and his heirs would henceforth be seised of the said premises to the use of himself and his heirs until the said marriage should be solemnised, and afterwards to the use of the said *William* and *Joan* and the heirs of the said *William* for ever, as by the said indenture dated 18 June, 28 Eliz. [1586], more fully appears.

Shortly afterwards the said *William Cowper* married the said *Joan*, and died on the 5th day of March last past: the said *Joan* survived him and still survives and holds the said premises for her life, the reversion thereof belonging to the said *Winifred* as one of the 2 daughters and coheirs of the said *William Cowper*.

Of whom the said premises are held the jurors know not: the moiety thereof is worth per ann., clear, £3.

Thomas Silvester son of *Thomas Silverster* and *Samuel* [sic] late the wife of the said *Thomas* deceased the other daughter and coheir of the said *William Cowper* is the kinsman and next heir of the said *Winifred*, and on the 1st day of March last past was aged 9 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 219, No. 55.

Henry Bracy, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 15 January, 32 (31 in cal.) Eliz. [1590], before *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City, *George Sotherton*, senior, gent., and *John Poye*, gent., commissioners, to enquire concerning the lunacy of *Henry Bracy*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvy*, *John Bonde*, *William Feake*, *James Robinson*, *John Tompson*, *John Adlyne* (?), *John Dixon*, *Robert Saunders*, *Arthur Wrighte* and *Christopher Dickenson*, who say that

Henry Bracy is a lunatic and not *compos mentis*, and enjoys lucid intervals, but is not fit to govern himself or his lands and goods: he became a lunatic by the visitation of God 2 years ago and has remained so ever since, but during his lunacy he has not alienated any of his lands or goods. Long before his lunacy he was and still is seised of the reversion of the manor of Oddeston in the parish of Shaxton in co. Leicester, and all the lands, chief rents and services in Shaxton; and 1 water mill called the Clockmill in the parish of Swepton in the said county, after the death of *Thomas Bracy* his father, to hold in fee tail, *viz.*, to him and the heirs of his body; and for default, the remainder thereof to divers persons, as appears by a deed made by a certain *Henry Waver alias Over* late citizen and alderman of the city of Coventry to *Thomas Wheatill*, *Richard Wheatill*, *Ralph Egerton* and *Simon Wheatill*.

The said *Henry Bracy* was likewise seised and still is seised of the reversion of certain lands held by copy of the court of the manor of Balsall called a ploughe land lying in Escot and Barston, late of *Richard Egliionbye*, gent., after the death of the said *Thomas Bracy* his father which he holds for the term of his life, and after his decease the remainder belonging to the said *Henry* in fee tail, *viz.*, to him and the heirs of his body, and for default, the reversion thereof to divers persons, as appears by the surrender made to the hands of the lord of the manor of Balsall by the said *Richard Overs* at the court held there 5 October, 26 Eliz. by copy of the said court: it is worth per ann., clear, £13 6s. 8d.

The said *Thomas Bracy* still survives.

Of whom the said manor of Oddeston and other the premises are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £13 6s. 8d.

Ralph Bracy is the brother and next heir of the said *Henry*, and is now aged 34 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 220, No. 66.

Elizabeth Kennett, widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 14 November, 31 Eliz. [1589], before *Matthew Cracherodd*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City, *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., commissioners, after the death of *Elizabeth Kennett*, widow, by virtue of a commission to them and to *Matthew Dale*, esq., and *Arthur Forthe*, gent., directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *John Harryson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *Robert Elder*, *James . . .*, *William Crowche*, *William Cooke*, *George Roberts*, *John Tompson*, *Edward Swayne*, *William Povey*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Thomas Wigges* and *Arthur Wright*, who say that

Elizabeth Kennett long before her death was seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 messuage commonly called le Catt and Fidle, with all buildings, shops, cellars, &c., thereto belonging lying in Fleetestreet in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West London; and so seised, the licence of the Queen being first obtained, by charter dated 24 May, 25 Eliz. [1583], made between *James Harrington*, knight, *William Glasier*, *Thomas Fortescue* and *Henry Dynne*, esq., of the one part, and the said *Elizabeth Kennett*, widow, of the other part, in consideration of a sum of money to her paid, sold to the said *Sir James Harrington* and others the said premises: to hold to them and their heirs to their sole and proper use for ever.

By another charter of even date made between the said parties, it was agreed that the said *Elizabeth* having sold her said messuage to the said *Sir James Harrington*, knight, *William Glasier*, *Thomas Fortescue* and *Henry Dynne*, and having given to them all her goods, jewels, and household stuff should enjoy the said messuage and all the said goods to her own use for her life without paying any rent for the same, and after her decease the said messuage and goods should be sold to the greatest advantage to pay the debts and legacies of the said *Elizabeth* and also the sums of money hereafter specified, *viz.*, to *Stephen Bragge* son of the said *Elizabeth* £100, and to the creditors of *Richard Burnell* £100, if they will fully discharge him of all debts, but if not, to pay the said £100 for the maintenance of *Martha* wife of the said *Richard*, being one of the daughters of the said *Elizabeth*, or to her children; also to *Alice Swallow* another daughter of the said *Elizabeth* £100; and to *Ursula Burnell* one of the daughters of the said *Richard* by the said *Martha* £40; and to *Anne Burnell* another of the daughters of the said *Richard* £40; and to 2 other children of the said *Richard* and *Martha* (one unborn) £40; and to 4 of the children

of the said *Alice Swallowe* £80 between them. The residue of the money received for the said premises and goods shall be divided amongst the said *Stephen Bragge*, *Martha Burnell*, *Alice Swallowe* and other the said children and all other the children of the said *Alice Swallowe* and *Martha Burnell*: by virtue of which said charter the said *Elizabeth* occupied the said messuage all her life.

The said messuage is held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 4s., and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Elizabeth Kennett died 3 Sept., 26 Eliz. [1584]; *Stephen Bragge* is her son and next heir, and is now aged 24 years and more.

The said *William Glasier* and *Henry Dynne* died at London, and the said *Sir James Harrington* and *Thomas Fortescue* still survive there.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 220, No. 34.

Thomas Haselwoode.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 13 June, 31 Eliz. [1589], before *Matthew Cracherod*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary and *Edmund Farrande*, gent., commissioners, to enquire by virtue of a commission to them and to *Matthew Dale*, esq., and *Arthur Foorth*, gent., directed, after the death of *Thomas Haselwoode*, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *Robert Elder*, *William Crowche*, *William Cooke*, *George Robartes*, *Nicholas Hawkesforde*, *Peter Noxon*, *James Robinson*, *Thomas Wigg*, *Edward Swayne*, *Robert Saunders*, *Nicholas Maddox* and *Arthur Wright*, who say that

The said *Thomas Haselwoode* son of *Thomas Haselwoode*, senior, citizen and brewer of London, long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage or brewhouse called le White Harte, lying in Knightryder streete in the parish of Holy Trinity within the City of London late of *Henry Roberdes* and now divided into 2 dwelling houses, and now or late in the several tenures of *Robert Cawsey* and *James Alcocke*.

So seised, the said *Thomas Haselwoode* by indenture dated 23 June, 28 Eliz. [1586] demised and let to farm the said messuage to the said *Thomas Haselwoode* his father for the term of 41 years, if the said *Thomas* so long should live, paying therefor yearly 26s. 8d. The said *Thomas* still survives.

The said messuage is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service,

but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and is worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d.

Thomas Haselwoode, junior, died 22 March last past; *Samuel Haselwoode* is his brother and next heir and was then aged 28 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 222, No. 20.

John Braunche, knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 14 Nov., 31 Eliz. [1589], before *Matthew Cracherode*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary, and *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., commissioners, to enquire after the death of *John Branche*, knight, by virtue of a commission to them and to *Matthew Dale*, esq., and *Arthur Forthe*, gent., directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *Robert Eldar*, *James Robinson*, *William Crowche*, *William Cooke*, *George Robartes*, *John Tompson*, *Edward Swayne*, *William Povey*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Thomas Wiggles*, *Arthur Wright* and *William Harvy*, who say that

John Braunche long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 tenement newly built in a yard and of the said yard, lying in the lane called Grene Lettyce Lane in Candelwicke streete in the parish of the Blessed Mary Abchurch, London, in the occupation of the said *John Branche*: which said yard was formerly in the tenure of *Ellen Wilkington* alias *Wilkinson* and was late parcel of the lands and possessions of the late priory or new hospital of the Blessed Mary without Bisshoppesgate, London, now dissolved, and purchased by *John Branche*, senior, father of the said *John Branche* of *Christopher Campion*, citizen and mercer of London; also of 1 messuage, with all solers, cellars, buildings, &c., called the Ould Muscovye House situate in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East; 1 other messuage called Le Signe of the Kinges Hedd lying in Abchurch Lane in the parish of the Blessed Mary Abchurch; and 1 other messuage called le White Horse in the occupation of *William Osborne* situate in Candelwyckestreete in the said parish of the Blessed Mary Abchurch.

The tenement with the yard in Grene Lettyce Lane are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage called the Ould Muscovye Howse is worth per ann., clear, £6, but of whom it is held the jurors know not. The other 2 tenements called le Kinges Hedd and le White Horse are worth per ann., clear, £8, but of whom they are held is not known.

John Branche died at London 24 July, 30 Eliz. [1588]; *Anne Stoneley* one of the sisters and heirs of the said *John Branche* and *William Udall* son and heir of *Mary Udall* another of the sisters of the said *John Branche*, and *Grace Dorrell*, *Mathea Gelibrand*, *Joan Bales* and *Mary Berye* daughters and heirs of *Ellen Rowley* another of the sisters and heirs of the said *John Branche* are his next heirs, and each of them was of full age, viz., 25 years and more, at the time of the death of the said *John Branche*.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 222, No. 38.

Daniel Bonde, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 18 June, 31 Eliz. [1589], before *Matthew Crachrode*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary, and *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., commissioners, to enquire after the death of *Daniel Bonde*, gent., by virtue of a commission to them and to *Matthew Dale* and *Arthur Forthe* directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Thompson*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Harryson*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *Robert Elder*, *William Crouche*, *William Cooke*, *George Robertes*, *Nicholas Hawksforde*, *Peter Noxton*, *James Robinson*, *Thomas Wigges*, *Edward Swayne*, *Robert Saunders*, *Nicholas Madoxe*, *Arthur Wright* and *John Dixson* who say that

William Bonde, deceased, father of the said *Daniel Bonde* was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that large capital messuage commonly called *Crosbys place* and 1 garden thereto belonging situate in the parish of *St. Ellen* within *Busshopsgate* in the City of London, and all that lane or way in the said parish leading from the back door (*postico*) of the said messuage towards the east, extending in length from the door of the said messuage up to the corner or south end of the way leading to the close of *St. Helen* in the said parish; all that tenement or chamber situate in a certain land, built over the larder and coal house of the said messuage, formerly in the tenure of *Juliana Fraunces*; 5 messuages adjoining the fore gate towards the street of the said large messuage on the north part of the fore part of the same, now or late in the tenures of *Richard Risbye*, *John Norgate*, *Richard Kirke*, *John Parkes* and *Agnes Williams*, widow; 1 messuage situate on the south part of the foregate of the said large messuage, now or late in the tenure of *Cornelius Kettell*, and lately being part thereof.

So seised, the said *William Bonde* made his will 30 May, 18 Eliz. [1576] at London in the said parish of *St. Ellen* as follows [here given

in English]: I give to *Margaret* my wife my now dwelling house called Crosby place in the parish of St. Ellens for such time as she shall live sole and unmarried, in recompense of her dower; directly after she shall marry again I give the said house to *William Bonde* my second son for life, he paying out of the same to my son *Nicholas Bonde* £13 13s. 4d. yearly, and to my son *Martyn Bonde* £13 13s. 4d. After the decease of the said *William* I give the said house to *Nicholas Bonde* for his life, he paying to my said son *Martyn* £20 yearly; after his decease, I give the same to my said son *Martyn* for his life; and after his decease, to *Daniel Bonde* my son and heir apparent and to the heirs male of his body; for default, to my said son *William* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to my son *Nicholas Bonde* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to my son *Martin* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to my nephew *William Bonde* son of my brother *George Bonde* and the heirs male of his body; and for default, to the right heirs of my said son *Daniel* for ever. The rest of my lands and tenements in the said parish of St. Ellens or elsewhere to descend to my said son *Daniel*.

The said *William Bonde* died 31 May in the said 18th year, after whose death the said *Daniel Bonde* was seised of the remainder of the said capital messuage called Crosby place, and of the said 6 messuages in his demesne as of fee.

So seised, the said *Daniel* by deed dated 23 February, 22 Eliz. [1580] enfeofed thereof *George Bonde*, alderman of the City of London, *William Whitmore*, haberdasher, and *William Atkyns*, leatherseller: to hold to them and their heirs for ever to the use of the said *Daniel Bonde* and *Jane* his wife for their lives; and after their decease to the use of the right heirs of the said *Daniel* for ever.

The said capital messuage, 6 tenements and all other the premises together with 4 other messuages in the parish of St. Ellen near adjoining the said capital messuage which together with the said capital messuage and other the premises were formerly purchased by *Anthony Bonvix*, deceased, to him and his heirs of King Henry VIII., are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, viz., by the 40th part of a knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 23s. 8d.: the said capital messuage so devised by the said will is worth per ann., £12; and the 6 other messuages £6.

Daniel Bonde died 1 March, 29 Eliz. [1587]; *William Bonde* of London, haberdasher, is his brother and next heir, and is now aged 30 years and more.

Jane late the wife of the said *Daniel* and *Margaret* late the wife of the said *William* survived the said *Daniel*: the said *Jane* and the said

William, Nicholas and Martin Bond sons of the said *William Bonde* the father are still alive in London in the said parish of St. Ellen.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 222, No. 39.

Thomas Blanke, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 October, 31 Eliz. [1589], before *Matthew Cracherod*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary, and *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., to enquire after the death of *Thomas Blanke*, knight, citizen and alderman of London, by virtue of a commission to them and to *Matthew Dale*, esq., and *Arthur Forthe*, gent., directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *Robert Eldar*, *James Robinson*, *William Crowche*, *William Cooke*, *George Robartes*, *John Tompson*, *Edward Swayne*, *William Povy*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Thomas Wigg*, *Arthur Wright* and *William Harvy*, who say that

Thomas Blanke father of the said *Thomas Blanke*, knight, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages situate in the parish of St. Leonard next Eastchepe in the ward of London Bridge, then in the tenure of the said *Thomas Blanke* the father and now or late in that of *Lewis Simpson*, grocer, and *James Battie*, draper; 1 tenement or cottage situate in the said parish and ward sometime in the tenure of *Joan Lanymon*, widow, and now or late in that of *John Spencer*; 1 messuage formerly called *Abbottes Inne*, situate in the parish of St. Mary Athill in the ward of Billingsgate, late in the occupation of the said *Thomas Blanke*, knight, and *Dame Margaret* his wife and now in that of the said *Margaret*; 1 large messuage, now divided into 3 tenements, being in Peter Lane next Paules Wharf in the parish of St. Peter in the ward of Baynardes Castle, London, formerly in the tenure of *Richard Stafferton* and now in that of *Nicholas Toke*, *William Parrye* and *Edward Ager*.

The said *Thomas Blanke* had issue the said *Thomas Blanke*, knight, his son, and *Elizabeth* his daughter married to *James Altham*, esq., and afterwards made his will dated 2 June, 1562, as follows [here given in English]: I give to *Johan* my wife the 2 messuages wherein I now dwell and my little tenement wherein *Lanymon's* widow now dwells lying in Grace Church Street in the parish of St. Leonard nigh Eastcheap for her life only; and after her decease, I give the same to my son *Thomas Blanke* for his life, after his decease, to *Thomas Altham* my Godson, son of the said Mr. *James Altham* and *Elizabeth* his late wife my daughter, and to the heirs male of his body, on condition that

he does not alienate any of the said premises: if he die without issue or alienate any of the said premises then *Edward Altham* brother of the said *Thomas* shall have the said 3 messuages, to him and the heirs male of his body, on like condition: if he die without heirs male of his body, or make such alienation, then *James Altham* brother of the said *Thomas* and *Edward* to have the said premises to him and the heirs male of his body, on like condition; if he die without heirs of his body or make alienation, then I give the said premises to *John Altham* brother of the said *Thomas*, *Edward* and *James* and to the heirs male of his body, on like condition; if he die without such heirs or alienate, then I give the said premises to *Matthew Altham* brother of the said *Thomas*, *Edward*, *James* and *John* and to the heirs male of his body, on like condition; if he die without heirs male of his body, or alienate, then I give the said 3 messuages to my next heirs for ever.

I will that such persons as shall have the said 3 messuages shall distribute every year for ever in the month of September amongst poor householders within the bridgeward of London either in money or coals the sum of 40s. with which sum I charge the said 3 messuages for ever.

I give to the said *Thomas Blanke* my son and *Margaret* his wife my great messuage called Abbottes Inne wherein they now dwell with all cellars, yards, warehouses and other buildings lying in the parish of St. Mary Athill, and my messuage in Peter Lane, viz. the whole purchase I made of *Sir Thomas Challinar*, knight, which cost me £300 and I paid towards the building of the said great house £900 of my own money, making in ready money £1,200. "I give God thanckes for yt, prayinge also unto God that my sonne *Thomas Blanke* and his said wiffe maye longe dwell in the saide greate house and to serve God therein accordinge to their duties": to hold to the said *Thomas* and *Margaret* and the heirs male of the body of the said *Thomas*, on condition that he does not alienate the said premises: if he die without such heirs or make alienation, then I give the said premises to the said *Thomas Altham* son of the said *James* and to the heirs male of his body, on like condition, with other remainders as above. And I will that the persons enjoying my said 2 messuages shall bestow every year for ever in the month of April amongst the poor householders of the said parish of St. Leonard or in the bridge ward of London or thereabouts £3 in ready money and 40s. in coals: with which said sums I charge my said 2 messuages for ever.

The said *Thomas Blanke*, the father, died so seised 20 Nov., 5 Eliz. [1562], in the said parish of St. Leonards, after whose death the said *Joan* his wife entered into the said 2 messuages and was thereof seised

in her demesne as of free tenement: she died in the said parish the . . . day of . . . 21 Eliz.

All the said premises (except the said messuage formerly called Abbottes Inn) are held of the Queen in free burgage, and the said messuage called Abbotts Inn is held of the Queen in chief by the 50th part of a knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 5s. 4d.: all the said premises are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Thomas Blanke died 28 October, 30 Eliz. [1588]; *Thomas Altham* late of London and now living at Oxford in co. Oxford is his kinsman and next heir and is now aged 38 years and more.

The said *Margaret* late the wife of the said *Sir Thomas Blanke* alias *Dame Margaret Blanke* still survives at London.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 222, No. 40.

Richard Fowkes.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 13 June, 31 Eliz. [1589], before *Matthew Crucherode*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary, *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., commissioners, by virtue of a commission to them and to *Matthew Dale* and *Arthur Forthe* directed, after the death of *Richard Fowkes*, citizen and grocer of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *Robert Elder*, *William Crowche*, *William Cooke*, *George Robertes*, *Nicholas Hawkesford*, *Peter Noxon*, *James Robinson*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Edward Swayne*, *Robert Saunders*, *Nicholas Maddox* and *Arthur Wright*, who say that

Richard Fowkes long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 part of a messuage commonly called le signe of ye Lambe, with all shops, cellars, alleys, &c. lying in the parish of St. Dunstan in le Weste in the suburbs of London, and so seised, by indenture 11 November, 16 Eliz. [1574], made between himself of the one part, and *John Fowkes*, gent., his brother of the other part, demised the said messuage lying in the said parish, adjoining a tenement late in the tenure of *Gabriel Levesey*, grocer, on the east side and a parcel of a tenement in the occupation of *Thomas Nogaye alias Ager* on the north part, and a tenement late in the occupation of *John Rundell* on the west, and upon the Queen's high street called Fleatstreate on the south to the said *John Fowkes* for the term of 60 years, he paying therefor yearly 33s. 4d. [indenture here given in full in English]. By force whereof the said *John Fowkes* was seised of the said messuage for the said term, the reversion belonging to the said *Richard* and his heirs.

Afterwards, viz., on the 21 day of April, 1588, the said *Richard*

Fowkes lying in *extremis* made his will as follows: I will that the house wherein I now dwell and of which I have the fee simple shall be wholly in the use and possession of my wife for her life; and after her decease shall come to my children to be sold for their best advantage, and the money to be equally divided amongst them.

The whole messuage called the *Lambe* is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and it is worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d.

Richard Fowkes died 21 April, 30 Eliz. [1588], *John Fowkes* is his son and next heir and was then aged 15 years and 4 months.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 222, No. 55.

Roger Tyndall, Citizen and Armourer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 23 June, 31 Eliz. [1589], before *William Necton*, gent., feodary, *Edmund Ferraunde* and *Arthur Forthe*, gents., commissioners, after the death of *Roger Tyndall*, citizen and armourer of London, by virtue of a commission to them and to *Matthew Dale*, esq. and *Matthew Cracherode*, esq., directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Jackson*, *John Bond*, *William Cooke*, *Nicholas Hawkesford*, *James Robinson*, *John Dixon*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Edward Swayne*, *John Tompson*, *Peter Noxton*, *Nicholas Maddox*, *Robert Saunders* and *Arthur Wright*, who say that

Roger Tyndall was a citizen and freeman of the City of London, and long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and tenement late in the tenure of *Edward Scysson*, situate in the parish of St. Botolph without Busshoppesgate, London, which said messuage the said *Roger* lately purchased to him and his heirs of *Edward Welshe* and *Simon Aynesworth* of London, gents.; 1 other messuage and tenement late in the tenure of . . . *Rycrofte*, widow, in the said parish which he bought to him and his heirs of *Thomas Reve* of London, gentleman, *John Johnson* of the same, fishmonger, and *Henry Heardson*, of the same, skinner; 1 other messuage late in the tenure of *Peter Crowche*, situate in the said parish, which he purchased to him and his heirs of *William Hulsonde* of London, scrivener and *William Pendred* of London, founder.

So seised, the said *Roger Tyndall* made his will as follows [here given in English]: I give to *Agnis* my wife the said messuages and all other my messuages, lands, &c., for her life, and immediately after her

death I give the same to the Master and wardens and brethren and sisters of the fraternity or guild of St. George of the men of the mystery of Armourers, of the City of London, and to their successors for ever, they distributing yearly amongst the poor of the parish of St. Dionise Backchurch, London, between the feasts of Christmas and Lady Day as much coal and faggots as shall be worth 50s., and to the clerk of the same parish 2s. on condition that he bring yearly to the said Master and wardens at some of their courts to be held in their common hall in London between Michaelmas and Christmas the names of all the poor people in the said parish to the intent it may be registered there what poor persons are relieved by this my request, and also to procure yearly, on the feast-day of St. George the Martyr if it be not a fish-day, and if it be a fish-day then the next Sunday or Monday after that, a godly sermon be made in the forenoon of the same day in the parish Church of St. Dionise Backchurch by a godly learned preacher of King's College in Cambridge, at which sermon the livery of the said company, or the greater part of them, to be present in their liveries, they to give the said preacher for preaching the said sermon 6s. 8d., and also to have him with them from the said Church to their common hall to dinner if he will go.

The said Master and wardens shall also pay to *John Tyndall*, my brother's son, £13 6s. 8d., or else shall give him yearly during his life £4.

The said Master and wardens shall have yearly allowed them out of my said lands and tenements on St. George's Day for their trouble 6s. 8d., viz., the Master 3s. 4d., and each warden 20d.; and they shall pay yearly to the wardens of the yeomanry of the same company to the use of the said yeomanry 20s. on St. George's Day, or on the day of the election of the Master, commonly called the Master's "dynner daie"; to the intent "such of the same yeomanry as goeth to the Church the same election daie with the said Mr. shall dyne and make merry together with the same"; and to the "bedill" of the same company yearly 3s. 4d. If the said Master and wardens do not pay such legacies, then I give the said premises to the Provost and Fellows of King's College, Cambridge, and to their successors for ever, on like conditions, as by the said will, dated 27 July, 1581, more fully appears.

The messuage and tenement in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, late in the tenure of *Edward Sysson* are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage and tenement in the said parish late in the tenure of the said . . . *Rycrofte*, widow, are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage and tenement in the said parish, late in the tenure of the said *Peter Crowche*, are held

of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

The said *Anna* wife of the said *Roger* died before him, viz., 30 November, 29 Eliz. [1586].

The said *Roger Tyndall* died 7 February, 30 Eliz. [1588]; *Robert Tyndall* of London, yeoman, is his kinsman and next heir, and was then aged 43 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 223, No. 70.

Roger Beckwith, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, the last day of February, 31 Eliz. [1589], before *Martin Calthorpp*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Roger Beckwith*, esq., son and heir of *Leonard Beckwith*, knight, and *Dame Elizabeth* his wife, deceased, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvy*, *John Bonde*, *John Stevens*, *John Jackson*, *William Crowche*, *Edmund Owen*, *William Cooke*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Saunders*, *James Robinson*, *Nicholas Madox* and *John Dixon*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Roger*, the said *Dame Elizabeth Beckwith*, late the wife of the said *Leonard Beckwith*, knight, one of the daughters and coheirs of *Roger Cholmeley*, knight, deceased, was seised in her demesne as of fee of the moiety of 1 messuage lying in the street called le old Balye, in the parish of St. Martin, within the gate of Ludgate of the City of London, late in the tenure of *Robert Hodgeson*, deceased; the moiety of 1 other messuage lying in the street within Ludgate in the said parish of St. Martin, late in the tenure of *Richard Graundishe*; the moiety of 1 messuage situate in the parish of Mervin near Croked Lane, late in the tenure of *Edward Burton*, deceased; the moiety of one messuage called le Blacke Bull, lying near Leaden hall in the parish of St. Peter, Cornehill, late in the tenure of *Thomas Dalton*, deceased; the moiety of another messuage adjoining the said messuage in the said parish of St. Peter, Cornhill, now or late in the tenure of *John Mascall*; 1 messuage or inn called le Crowne in the parish of St. Andrew in Holborn in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of . . . *Alsoppe*; the moiety of the pourparty of the lands and tenements late of *Roger Cholmeley*, knight, deceased, situate at Shotuphill in the parish of Hampsted in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of *Robert North*; the moiety of the pourparty of the manor of Esthamburnells and Westhamburnells in co. Essex, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Stepneth*;

the moiety of the pourparty of the manor of Estwestham and Plais with all rents, &c., in the parish of Estham in co. Essex, now or late in the occupation of *Arden Waferer*, esq.; 1 messuage lying in Stowe Ingraffe in co. Essex, now or late in the tenure of . . . *Jackson*; 1 pasture in Orsett called Stiden hill in co. Essex, late in the tenure of *Edmund Hurt*; the moiety of the pourparty of the marsh land lying in Estham in co. Essex, late in the tenure of *Clement Scisley*, deceased; the moiety of one farm in Wallworthe in co. Surrey, now or late in the tenure of *Henry Lorde*; the moiety of the part of all the lands and tenements in Wallworthe, now or late in the tenure of . . . *Readinge* in the said county of Surrey, sadler; the moiety of the part of 1 messuage in Wallworthe now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Gwynne*, late bailiff there; the manor of Newington Lucyes; and all other the lands, tenements, woods, underwoods and hereditaments in Newington, Footescraye, Chestilhurste, Okelay and Crayforde in co. Kent. So seised, the said *Dame Elizabeth Beckwith* married *Christopher Kenne*, esq., of Kenn in co. Somerset, and shortly afterwards the said *Christopher* and *Dame Elizabeth* for a certain sum of money to them paid by indenture dated 1st February, 8 Eliz. [1566], granted all the said premises to *John Drewe* of London, gent., and *Leonard Ive* of the Inner Temple, London, gent. [here given in English], for the term of 510 years, they paying therefor yearly 40s. to the said *Christopher* and *Dame Elizabeth*, and after their deceases £20 yearly to the heirs of the said *Dame Elizabeth*.

Afterwards, viz., on the morrow of the Purification of the Blessed Mary, 22 Eliz. [1580], for the fulfilment of certain covenants specified in the said indenture a fine was levied at Westminster between *William Vavasor*, esq., *Joan Bradshawe*, widow, *William Atwoode*, gent., and *Ralph Hatton*, plts., and *Christopher Kenne*, esq., and *Elizabeth* his wife alias *Elizabeth Beckwith*, deforciants, of the manors of Newington alias Nuyngton Lucys, Parva Okeley and Foutescraie and 40 messuages, 20 cottages, 1000 a. of land, 100 a. of meadow, 1000 a. of pasture, 400 a. of wood, and 300 a. of furze and heath, and 10 librates of rent in Newington, Parva Okeley, Foutzcraye and Crayfforde in co. Kent, the manors of Estham Burnelles, Westham Burnelles, Estwestham and Plais, and 30 messuages, 20 cottages, 400 a. of land, 400 a. of meadow, 100 a. of pasture, 100 a. of wood, 400 a. of furze and heath, 300 a. of moor, 400 a. of marsh and 15 librates of rent in Esthamburnelles, Westham Burnelles, Estwestham, Plaice, Estham, Westham, and Orsett in co. Essex, and 20 messuages, 20 cottages, 10 gardens, 10 orchards, 100 a. of land, 400 a. of meadow, 100 a. of pasture, 400 a. of wood and 200 a. of furze and heath in the parishes of St. Holborn, Holburne, Hornesey,

Hollowaye, Upper Holloway, Lower Highgate alias Hygate, Yseldon alias Islington, and Hampsted in co. Middlesex; 6 messuages, 3 cottages, 80 a. of land, 40 a. of meadow, 60 a. of pasture, 20 a. of wood and 20 a. of furze and heath in Wallworthe in co. Surrey, and 20 messuages, 20 gardens, and 10 orchards in the parishes of St. Peter next Leadenhall, St. Martin within Ludgate and St. Michael, near Croked Lane in City of London, whereupon the said *Christopher* and *Elizabeth* acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *William Vavasor* as those which he and the said *Joan, William* and *Ralph* have of their gift, and the same remised to them and to the heirs of the said *William Vavasor* for ever. For this agreement the said *William* and others gave to the said *Christopher* and *Elizabeth* £2020: which said fine was levied to the use of the said *John Drewe* and *Leonard Ive* for the said term of 510 years; after that term, to the use of the said *Elizabeth* the wife of the said *Christopher Kenne* alias *Elizabeth Beckwith* and her heirs for ever.

The said *Elizabeth* died 24 November, 26 Eliz. [1583], after whose death the reversion of all the said premises descended to the said *Roger Beckwith*, esq., as her son and heir.

The manor of Newington Lucas in co. Kent is held of the Queen in chief by the 40th part of a knight's fee. Of whom or by what services the premises in Okeley in co. Kent are held the jurors know not. Of whom the premises in Chestillworth, Craiford and Foutezcraie in co. Kent are held is not known. The moiety of the messuage lying in the parish of St. Martin within Ludgate, late in the tenure of the said *Richard Graundishe* is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, viz. by the 100th part of a knight's fee. Of whom the residue of the premises is held the jurors know not.

All the said premises demised by the said indenture to the said *John Drew* and *Leonard Ive* are worth per ann., clear, 40s. during the life of the said *Christopher Kenne*, who still survives, and after his death they will be worth per ann., clear, £20 during the said term.

Roger Beckwith died at Hardwicke in co. Nottingham, 5 September, 28 Eliz. [1586]; *Frances Harvy* wife of *George Harvy*, esq., and *Frances Slyngsbye* wife of *Henry Slyngsbye*, esq., are his next heirs, viz., the said *Frances Harvy* as sister and one of the coheirs of the said *Roger* and the said *Frances Slyngsbye*, daughter and heir of *Elizabeth Vavasor*, wife of *William Vavasor*, esq., as the other sister and co-heir of the said *Roger Beckwith*. The said *Frances Harvy* is now aged 39 years and more, and the said *Frances Slyngsbye* 25 years and more.

Immediately after the death of the said *Roger Beckwith* the said

George Harvy and *Henry Slynsgbye*, in right of their said wives, entered into the said premises.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 223, No. 73.

Thomas Kendall.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 24 October, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *Michael Sandes*, *William Lambard*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City, and *Richard Vawdry*, gent., commissioners, after the death of *Thomas Kendall*, senior, citizen and leather-seller of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Seawell*, *William Harvie*, *John Bond*, *William Feake*, *James Roberts*, *William Croutche*, *Edward Pilsworth*, *George Roberts*, *John Tomson*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *John Jackson*, *Christopher Dickenson* and *Hugh Ingram*, who say that

King Henry VIII was seised in his demesne as of fee in right of his Crown of England of all that site and precinct of the late priory of St. Helen within the City of London; also of the Church commonly called The Nunnes Church of St. Helens, and all the messuages, houses, gardens, &c., within the said site, lying in the parish of St. Helen; also all the messuages, houses, lands, &c., lying in the said parish, now or late in the several tenures of *William Baker*, *Jane Julian*, *Edmund Bremer*, *Guy Sturdy*, and *Lancelot Harrison*, to the said late priory formerly belonging.

So seised the said King by Letters Patent dated 29 March in the 33rd year of his reign [1542], granted the said premises to *Richard Williams alias Cromwell*, knight, to hold to him and his heirs for ever of the King in chief by the service of the 10th part of one knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 17s. 4d. So seised, the said *Richard Williams* for the sum of £380 sterling to him paid by the said *Thomas Kendall*, by his deed dated 28 April, 35 Hen. VIII [1544], enfeoffed the said *Thomas* of the said premises to the sole use of him the said *Thomas* and his heirs for ever.

Afterwards, to wit, on the 7th day of May, 35 Hen. VIII, by charter of even date the said *Richard Williams* released all his right, title and interest in the said premises to the said *Thomas Kendall* and his heirs.

Afterwards, the said *Thomas Kendall* by indenture dated 22 June, 35 Hen. VIII, demised the said premises to the wardens of the mystery of the Leathersellers of London for 90 years, paying therefor yearly 1 red rose at Midsummer.

The said *Thomas Kendall* was likewise seised of 2 messuages in

the parish of St. Leonard in Eastcheap, London, one whereof is called le Suyte, in the occupation of *Thomas Hunt*, and the other is called le Bottle, in the occupation of *Henry Bowers*.

So seised, the said *Thomas* made his will 13 June, 5 Edw. VI [1551], as follows [here given in English]: I *Thomas Kendall*, citizen and leatherseller of London, now of the parish of St. Mary Magdalene near Barmondsey in co. Surrey

I will that my wife be "gardeine" of all my lands as well in Southwark as elsewhere to the use of my children during their minority. If *Elizabeth* my wife marry before my 2 children come of age, then my overseers shall be guardians of my said children. If both my children die (as God defend) I will that the 3rd part of my goods to them bequeathed be divided into 4 parts, 2 whereof I give to *Elizabeth* my wife, the 3rd to the Wardens and Fellows of the Leathersellers, London, for the use of the poor of the same fellowship, and the 4th to *Robert Rawlinson* and *Walter Kendall* to be distributed among my poor kinsfolk.

I will that my 2 tenements called the Almes howses, which I have provided for the poor, lying in the said parish of St. Mary Magdalene, shall be to the use of the poor for ever, that is, "to them that shall lyve in the fear of God and that they be no drunkards nor vicious personnes nor Blasphemors of the name of God that shall enter, come or dwell in the same," and I will that *Elizabeth* my wife during the nonage of my children shall grant to the poor who live in the fear of God their dwelling free within the said almes-houses without paying any rent or duty therefor, and I desire my heirs to keep the said houses in repair for ever. If my said children *Thomas* and *Grace* "fortune to departe to the mercye of God" without issue, then I will that the children of *Walter Kendall*, my brother, shall hold the said lands, tenements and premises, to them and their heirs; for default, the same shall remain to the children of *William Kendall*, my brother, and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to my right heirs for ever.

To *Robert Rawlinson* 40s. and to my brother *Walter Kendall* £3. I make the said *Elizabeth*, my wife, sole executrix, and *Nicholas Stockbridge*, the elder, *Bryan Streven* and *William Chaïor* overseers, and I give to each of them £6 13s 4d. and a black gown, and to each of their wives a black gown.

The said site and precinct of the said late priory of St. Helen are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 10th part of a knight's fee by the yearly rent of 17s 4d., and are worth per ann., clear, during the said term 1 red rose only; the wardens of the said mistery of Leathersellers took the profits thereof from the death of the said *Thomas Kendall* up to the present time.

The said 2 messuages in Eastcheap, London, are held of the Queen in common and free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Thomas Kendall died 15 June, 1552, and had issue *Thomas Kendall* his son aged about 5 years, and *Grace* his daughter aged about 4 years. *Thomas Kendall* the son died without issue 1 December, 22 Eliz. [1579], aged about 32 years; the said *Grace* is his sister and the sole heir of the said *Thomas Kendall* named in the said commission and at the time of her brother's death was aged about 31: she is now aged about 41 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 224, No. 16.

Baptist Bassany.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *John Harte*, knight, Mayor and escheator, of the said City, *Thomas Wade*, esq., and *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City, commissioners, by virtue of a writ *de melius inquirend*, after the death of *Baptist Bassany*, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Seawell*, *William Harvie*, *John Bend*, *William Feake*, *James Robinson*, *Edward Pilsworthe*, *George Robertes*, *Thomas Wigges*, *Robert Saunders*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Nicholas Hawkesford*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Arthur Wrighte*, *William Croutche* and *John Jackson*, who say that

Whereas by a certain inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 24 October, 26 Eliz. [1584], before *Edward Osborne* then Mayor and escheator after the death of the said *Baptist Bassany*, that the said *Baptist* was seised in his demesne as of fee, *inter alia*, of 1 messuage lying in the parish of St. Christopher near le Stockes, London, then in the tenure of *Roger Rigbie*, and so seised, by charter dated 5 January, 1575, gave the said messuage to *Stephen Vaughan* and *John Austen* of London, gent., to hold to them and their heirs to the use of *Margaret Bassany alias Johnson* for her life; after her decease to the use of *Angela Holland* then the wife of *Joseph Holland*, gent., and *Emelia Bassany* daughter of the said *Margaret* and the heirs of their several bodies; for default, to the use of *Augustine Bassany* grandson, nephew (nepotis) of the said *Baptist* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of *Lewis Bassany* brother of the said *Augustine* and the heirs of his body; and for default, to the use of the said *Angela* and *Emilia* and their heirs for ever.

Afterwards, to wit, on the 11th day of May next following, the said *Baptist* died in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, London;

Philip Holland son of *Joseph Holland* and *Angela* late his wife, deceased, one of the daughters of the said *Baptist Bassany*, and *Emilia Bassany* the other daughter of the said *Bassany* were his next heirs: the said *Philip Holland* was aged 6 years and more, and the said *Emilia* is now aged 13 years and more.

The said *Margaret* still survives.

Of whom the said messuage was held the jurors knew not: but now the jurors say that the said messuage is now in the tenure of *Richard Adams* and is held in free burgage of the city of London.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 224, No. 19.

Bridget Billingesley.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 May, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *Matthew Cracherode*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary, and *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., commissioners, after the death of *Bridget Billingesley*, late the wife of *Henry Billingesley*, citizen and alderman of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Sewall*, *William Harvey*, *John Bond*, *John Jackson*, *William Fecke*, *James Robinson*, *Richard Veale*, *George Robertes*, *Robert Saunders*, *Thomas Wigges*, *Arthur Wright* and *Christopher Dickenson*, who say that

Bridget Billingsley long before her death was seised in her demesne as of fee of the 3rd part (in 3 parts to be divided) of 1 large messuage called *Ashelingwarff*, sometime called *Packman's wharf* and afterwards called *Cree Church wharf* and lately called *Guibson's Key*, situate in the said parish of *St. Dunstan's* in the East, London, which is held of the Queen by the service of the 3rd part of the 20th part of 1 knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d.

Bridget Billingsley died 28th Sept., 30 Eliz. [1588]; *Christopher Woodrooff* is her son and next heir, and was aged 21 years on the 8th day of March, 31 Eliz. [1589].

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 225, No. 97.

Thomas Randolphe, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 14 November, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *John Allott*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Randolphe*, esq., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *John Harrison*, *William Harvy*, *John Bond*, *James Robinson*, *William*

Crowtche, Richard Veale, Edward Pilsworthe, Nicholas Hawkeshead, Peter Noxon, Edward Swayne, Thomas Wigges, George Roberts, John Adlin and Robert Saunders, who say that

Thomas Randolphe long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage in the parish of St. Peter on the Hill next Paul's wharf, London, sometime called the Abbott of St. Mary's of Yorkes place and now divided into 2 messuages, and so seised made his will dated 1 April, 1589, as follows [here given in English]: Whereas I have the fee simple of a house in the parish of St. Peter upon the Hill near Paul's wharf, the tenure whereof being *in capite* and my son and heir being within age shall be in wardship to her Majesty; I therefore humbly beseech *Lord Cobham, Sir Francis Walsingham* and *Sir Walter Mildmay*, knight, to be means to the Lord Treasurer of England now Master of her Majesty's Wards, to grant the wardship of my said son to his mother.

I give to *Ursula* my wife the said house for her life without paying anything therefor.

The said messuage is held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of a knight's fee and by the yearly rent in the name of tithe of 4s., and it is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Thomas Randolphe died 8 June last past; *Thomas Randolphe* is his son and next heir and was aged 14 years on the 22nd day of November last past.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 226, No. 132.

Mary Barnes.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, London, 27 October, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *John Harte*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Mary Barnes*, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson, Thomas Russell, John Harrison, Thomas Sewell, William Harvie, John Bonde, John Jackson, William Feake, James Robinson, William Crowche, Edward Pilsworth, John Thompson, George Robertes, Thomas Wigges, Arthur Wright, Hugh Ingeram, Robert Saunders, Christopher Dickinson* and *Nicholas Hawkesford*, who say that

Mary Barnes long before her death was seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 messuage in the parish of St. Michael Bassyshawe, London, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Barnes* and *John Willett*, which is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not.

Mary Barnes died 27 July, 31 Eliz. [1589]; *Giles Barnes* is her brother and next heir and is aged 30 years and more.

Thomas Barnes father of the said *Mary* occupied the said messuage and took the profits thereof from her death up to his death, to wit, for 4 months and more by virtue of a certain demise to him made by *Henry Awdeley* of London, gent., for 99 years, as by the same demise dated 21 February, 1543, more fully appears.

The said *Thomas Barnes* by his will dated 20 Sept., 1589, bequeathed the residue of the said lease to *Giles*, *Thomas* and *Robert Barnes* his sons equally, who took the profits of the premises from the death of the said *Thomas Barnes* the father.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 226, No. 151.

William Mylls, Citizen and Grocer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall in the City of London, 2 May, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *John Hart*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Mylls*, citizen and grocer of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *Thomas Russell*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Stevins*, *William Harvy*, *James Robinson*, *William Feake*, *Thomas Wiggles*, *George Roberts*, *William Crouche*, *John Dickson*, *Edward Pensworthe*, *Nicholas Maddox*, *Robert Saunders*, *Arthur Wrighte* and *Christopher Dickinson*, who say that

William Mills was seised in his demesne as of fee of a certain messuage and garden lying in Myll Alley in the parish of St. Stephen in Colmanstreet in London, and so seised, by indenture dated 7 April, 28 Eliz. [1586], in consideration that a certain *Richard Mylls* at the request of the said *William Mylls* for the debt of the said *William* was bound by 2 several obligations to *Peter Blundell* of Tyverton in co. Devon, merchant, of the date of the said indenture, to wit, by the first obligation in the sum of £80 for the payment of £50 to the said *Peter* on the 18th day of October then following, and by the other obligation in the sum of 50s. on condition that on the 7th day of October then next following the said *William* shall give to the said *Peter* £50 for the space of 6 months then next following—demised to the said *Richard Mylls* the said messuage and garden: to hold for the term of 81 years, paying therefor yearly to the said *William* and his heirs 1 grain of pepper if demanded, on condition that if the said *William Mills* should pay to the said *Peter Blundell* the said £50, and also shall for all time at his own costs exonerate the said *Richard Mylls* against the said *Peter Blundell* concerning the said obligations that then the said indenture and demise shall be altogether void.

The said *William Mylls* was seised of 1 capital messuage, which was formerly 3 messuages, in the parish of St. Mildred the Virgin in the Poultry in London which descended to him by right of inheritance by the death of *Elizabeth* his mother; and of the 4th part and portion of another messuage late in the occupation of the said *William Mylls* called le Harrowe and of all the shops, cellars, sollars, entries, &c. to the said messuage belonging.

The said *William Mills* made his will 23 January, 32 Eliz. [1590], and thereby gave to *Elizabeth* his wife and her heirs for ever all his lands and tenements whatsoever in the realm of England.

The said messuage and garden in Colman Street are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee and by the rent of 2s. by the name of tithe, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s., because the said *William* did not fulfil the conditions specified in the said indenture. The capital messuage and the 4th part of the said messuage called le Harrowe are held of the Queen but by what services the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £4 10s.

William Mylls died 1 February, 32 Eliz. [1590]; *John Mills* is his son and next heir, and was aged 14 years on the 25th day of April last past, and so he is now aged 14 years and 6 days.

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William Ridgley.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 November, 32 Eliz. [1589], before *Matthew Cracherde*, esq., *William Necton*, esq., feodary of the said City, and *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., commissioners, by virtue of a commission to them and to *Matthew Dale*, esq., and *Arthur Forthe*, gent., directed, after the death of *William Ridgley*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *Thomas Seawell*, *John Harrison*, *John Bonde*, *William Harvy*, *John Jackson*, *William Feake*, *John Thompson*, *James Robinson*, *William Crowche*, *Richard Veale*, *Thomas Wigges* and *Christopher Dickenson*, who say that

William Ridgley was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage wherein *Robert Bryan* now dwells or lately dwelt, situate in a certain street called Fleetstrete, London, and within the parish of St. Dunstan in the West there; 2 other messuages, with shops, rooms, &c., lying in Fleetstret in the said parish, now or late in the tenure of *John Palmer* and *William Turner*; 1 garden lately divided into 3 gardens, lying in Fewter Lane in the said parish, now or late in the several tenures of *John Ive*, esq., *William Turner* and *Thomas Warde*; and 14 other

messuages or cottages now in ruins and decayed with divers gardens lately 7, now divided into 15, situate in Fewter Lane in the parish of St. Andrew in Holborn in the suburbs of London, now or late in the several tenures of *Richard Jackson, Richard Hollis, Benedict Jackson, clerk, Edward Blythe, Robert Cullen, Henry King, Robert Baite, Thomas Scarlett, Leonard Todd, Thomas Shawe, John Evans, Ralph Burche, Hugh Wansworth and Pederice Harwood.*

The said messuage in Fleet street is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and it is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The 2 messuages in Fleet street are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £9. The said garden in Fewter Lane is held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £3. The 14 messuages or cottages and gardens in Fewter Lane are worth per ann., clear, £5, but of whom or by what services they are held is not known.

William Ridgley died 18 December last past without issue of his body; *Joan Ware* now the wife of *Henry Ware* is his sister and next heir and was then aged 25 years and more.

Margery late the wife of the said *William Ridgley* still survives.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 226, No. 180.

Edmond Walsingham, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 2 May, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *John Harte*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Edmond Walsingham, esq.*, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson, Thomas Russell, Thomas Sewell, John Stevyns, William Harvy, James Robinson, William Feake, Thomas Wigges, George Roberts, William Crowche, John Dickson, Edward Pensworthe, Nicholas Maddox, Robert Saunders, Arthur Wrighte and Christopher Dickinson*, who say that

Edmond Walsingham, knight, grandfather of the said *Edmond Walsingham, esq.*, named in the said writ, was seised in his demesne as of fee tail, to him and the heirs male of his body of 8 messuages situate in the parish of the Blessed Mary of Bow of the Arches (de Arcubus) in the ward of Cheap, London, now or late in the several tenures of *Richard Graunger, Ralph Carkett, Ralph Blackmore, Thomas Herbert, William Bonner, George Hewes, Andrew More and Henry Field*, to the late monastery or priory of Newarke in co. Surrey formerly

belonging; and 1 other messuage lying in the parish of St. Nicholas Coldabbi in the ward of Queene hithe, London, now or late in the tenure of *William Penynghton*, to the said monastery also formerly belonging. The said *Edmond Walsingham*, knight, died seised of the said premises having issue male of his body *Thomas Walsingham* his son, then esq. and afterwards knight, who then entered into the said messuages and was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee tail, to him and the heirs of his body, and died thereof seised having 2 sons, to wit, the said *Edmond* named in the writ, and *Thomas Walsingham*. After the death of the said *Thomas* the said *Edmond Walsingham*, esq., elder son of the said *Thomas* entered into the said premises and was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee tail.

The said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of 1 knight's fee and by the yearly rent of £4 11s. 4d., and are worth per ann., clear, £40 6s. 8d.

Edmond Walsingham (named in the writ) died 16 November, 31 Eliz. [1589], without issue of his body; *Thomas* second son of the said *Thomas Walsingham*, knight, is the kinsman and next heir of the said *Edmond Walsingham*, knight, to wit, brother and heir of the said *Edmond Walsingham*, esq., son and heir of the said *Thomas Walsingham*, knight, son and heir of the said *Edmond Walsingham*, knight, and was then aged 26 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 226, No. 181.

John Withers, Citizen and Merchant-tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 33 Eliz. [1591], before *Rowland Hayward*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Withers*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *William Harvie*, *William Crowche*, *John Thomson*, *John Bond*, *James Robinson*, *John Stevyns*, *George Robertes*, *Edward Pyllesworthe*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Nicholas Hawkesford*, *Thomas Wigge*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Robert Saunders*, *John Langley* and *Peter Noxon*, who say that

John Withers was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage lying in the street called Cornehill in the parish of St. Nicholas in Cornehill, wherein he then dwelt; 1 other messuage situate at the end of a certain lane called Finckes Lane towards Cornehill in the said parish of St. Nicholas, to the said messuage adjoining late in the tenure of *John Dudley*, and now in that of a certain *Adven'* (stranger); and 1 cellar

lying in the said Fynckes Lane now or late in the tenure of *Nicholas Abraham* merchant tailor; with all the houses, gardens, shops, &c., to the said messuages belonging.

The said *John Withers* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage, curtilage and barn situate in the parish of Holy Trinity in Guildford in co. Surrey between the high street of Guildford on the south, the tenement formerly belonging to the chantry of the said parish of Holy Trinity and now the tenement of *Nicholas Smalepeece* on the west, and the tenement formerly of *Nicholas Jennyns* and now of *Henry Bedells* on the north and east, now or late in the tenure of *John Sackville*, which he purchased to him and his heirs of *John Tofte* of Chillworth in the said county, gent.

So seised, the said *John* made his will 3 October, 1589, 31 Eliz. [1589] as follows [here given in English]: I give to my son *Edward* and his heirs for ever the messuage wherein I now dwell in Cornhill.

To my son *John* and his heirs for ever I give my messuage now in the occupation of a certain *Straunger*, my tenement adjoining my now dwelling house at the corner of Fynckes Lane, together with a cellar in Fynckes Lane now in the occupation of *Nicholas Abraham*, merchant tailor.

To my son *Stephen Withers* and his heirs for ever I give my messuage now in the tenure of *John Sackville*, my father-in-law, situate in Guildford in co. Surrey.

I will that *Joan* my wife shall during the minority of my said children have and enjoy all my said lands and tenements, she paying to my said children the yearly rents hereafter mentioned, to wit, to the said *Edward* the yearly rent of £10, to the said *John* £5, and to the said *Stephen* £3.

Immediately after the death of the said *John Withers* the said *Joan* the relict and *John Sackville*, father of the said *Joan*, entered into all the said premises and took the profits thereof to the use of the said will.

The tenement lying in Cornhill is held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £5. The tenement and cellar in Fynckes Lane are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The tenement, curtilage and barn in Guildford in co. Surrey are held in free burgage of the borough of Guildford, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s.

John Withers died 15 October, 31 Eliz.; *Edward Withers* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 10 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 228, No. 67.

Edmond Hills, Citizen and Woodmonger.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 33 Eliz. [1591], before Rowland Hayward, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of Edmond Hills, citizen and woodmonger of London, by the oath of Robert Dickenson, Thomas Russell, John Harrison, William Harvy, John Stevyns, William Crowche, John Tompson, John Bond, James Robinson, George Robertes, Edmund Pilsworth, Hugh Ingram, Nicholas Hawkesford, Thomas Wigg, Christopher Dickenson, Robert Saunders, John Langley and Peter Noxon, who say that

Edmond Hills was seised in his demesne as of fee of 13 messuages situate in Holborne and Fewter Lane, one whereof is called the White Horse, late in the several tenures of Alban Leverett, John Harryson, John Cawston, William Preston, Richard Barker, Thomas Buttes, Cuthbert Proctor, Hugh Evans and Thomas Wells; 1 other capital messuage, house and tenement lying in Fewter Lane in the suburbs of the City of London on the east part of the said lane with 1 garden which was formerly 4 gardens to the said capital messuage belonging, which formerly were in the tenure of Edmund Bridges, knight, Lord Shandos, and late in that of Edward Ferrers: which said premises last recited the said Edmond Hills purchased to him and his heirs of William Lambe of London, gent.; 2 other messuages lying within the site and precinct of the late house of the Carmelite Brothers of London lately dissolved, late in the tenure of Richard Page and Elizabeth his wife, which he purchased to him and his heirs of John Bacon, gent.: also 3 messuages lying in a certain street called Adlingstreet in the parish of St. Andrew in the ward of Castle Baynard, London, late in the tenures of Thomas Rose, Christopher Wytton and Henry Adnett.

So seised, the said Edmond Hills made his will 24 February, 1587, as follows [here given in English]: I give to Humphrey Hills my eldest son 8 of my houses in Fetter Lane at the south end of my houses in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West in Fewter Lane on the street side: to hold for his life.

To Richard Hills my second son I give all my houses in the White Fryers in Fleet street for life: if the said houses happen to be "evicted and caried away by Lawe" at the costs of my heir, then my son Richard shall have £20 a year out of all my lands.

To Sylvius Hills my 4th son I give for his life 6 of my houses in Fewter Lane at the north end on the street side, now in the hands of Mr. John Lovden, George Pett, Mr. Anthony Dewe, Mrs. Margaret Steward, Thomas Besey and Mr. Thomas Goode.

I give to *John Hills* my 5th son my 3 houses in Adlingstreet, London, now in the hands of *Mr. Anthony Hall*, *John Wynditt* and *Robert Bigges* : to hold for his life.

The reversion of all my said lands so bequeathed to my said children and all other my lands which I hold in fee simple wheresoever they may be I give to *Edmond Hills* my 3rd son and to the heirs male of his body ; for default, to *Silvius Hills* my 4th son and to the heirs male of his body ; for default, to *John Hills* my 5th son and the heirs male of his body ; for default, to *Humphrey Hills* my eldest son and to the heirs male of his body ; for default, to *Richard Hills* my 2nd son and the heirs male of his body ; for default to the heirs general by me lawfully begotten ; for default, the said lands and tenements to return to me and my heirs for ever.

The said 13 messuages lying in Fetter Lane in Holborn are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £10. The capital messuage in Fetter Lane and the garden adjoining are held of the Queen as of her said manor of East Greenwich by fealty only in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 40 marks. The 2 tenements lying within the precinct of the late House of the Carmelite Brothers of London are held in free burgage of the City of London by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £14. The 3 messuages in Adling street are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage or socage of the City of London and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Edmond Hills died 2 March, 30 Eliz. [1588] ; *Humphrey Hills* is his son and next heir and was then aged 20 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 228, No. 79.

Anthony Walker, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 January, 33 Eliz. [1591], before *John Allotte*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Anthony Walker*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *Thomas Sewell*, *John Harrison*, *John Stevens*, *James Robinson*, *John Thomson*, *William Feake*, *William Crowche*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *John Jackson*, *Edward Swayne*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Arthur Wrighte*, *Robert Sanders*, *Christopher Dickenson* and *Francis Wotton*, who say that

Anthony Walker was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 mansion house wherein *Richard Brookeman*, gent., now lives or lately dwelt,

lying within the close of St. Bartholomew the Great, London; 13 messuages with all the gardens, buildings, &c., thereto belonging lying in a certain lane called Billiter Lane in the parish of St. Katherine Christchurch *alias* Crechurch, London; 1 capital messuage lying in the parish of St. Martin Organ *alias* Orgar, London, now or late in the tenure of *Anthony Throckmorton*; 1 messuage lying in a certain street called St. Martin's Lane in the said parish of St. Martin Orgar, now or late in the tenure of *John Hawes*; 1 capital messuage lying in a certain street called Botolph's Lane next Eastcheap in the parish of St. George the Less, London, formerly in the tenure of *Dame Blanche Forman*; 5 messuages in the parish of St. Gregory in the ward of Castell Baynard, London, now or late in the tenure of *Elizabeth Kennette*, *John Farrington*, *William Lobleve*, *John Hasillwoode* and *John Benton*; all those messuages late of *William Slywright* lying in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene in Barmondseye in cos. Surrey and Kent; all that capital messuage and 1 orchard and 1 garden thereto adjoining wherein *Richard Holte* lately dwelt lying in Batterseye in co. Surrey; and divers lands, tenements, fisheries and hereditaments in Battersey in co. Surrey lately occupied by the said *Anthony Walker*.

So seised, the said *Anthony Walker* made his will 14 February, 1589, as follows [here given in English]: I give to my son *William Walker* and his heirs for ever all my messuages, lands and tenements both freehold and copyhold lying in the parish of Batrichseye *alias* Batterseye; also all my lands, messuages and tenements whatsoever lying in the parish of St. Mary Magdalen in Barmondsey in Southwark; also all my messuages, lands, &c., lying in the City of London and the suburbs thereof, *viz.*, in Pater Noster Row, and in the parishes of St. Gregory, St. Martin Orgar, St. George the Less in Botolphe Lane near Eastcheap, in the parish of St. Katherine Crichurch in Billiter Lane, and in the close or courtyard of Great St. Bartholomews in West Smithfield, London: to hold to the said *William* and the heirs male of his body; for default, the same to remain to my son *Thomas Walker* and the heirs male of his body; and for default, the said lands to remain to my daughters and their heirs for ever.

The said *Anthony Walker* was likewise seised of a certain manor called Fawnes in Estebedfonte in co. Middlesex; 1 capital messuage and divers lands, meadows and pastures now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Fox*, lying in Depteforde *alias* Westegrenewiche in co. Kent; 1 other messuage in Depteforde aforesaid now or late in the tenure of *Richard Wotton*, tanner; 1 other messuage now divided into 4 small tenements in Deptforde aforesaid; 1 other messuage called le Blewe Bore lying in the parish of St. Michael Cornhill, London, now or late

in the tenure of *George Smith* ; 1 messuage in the parish of *St. Thomas the Apostle* in *London*, now or late in the tenure of *Roger Abdy* ; 1 other messuage in the said parish of *St. Thomas the Apostle*, now or late in the tenure of *William Taylor* ; 1 messuage in the parish of *St. Olave* in the borough of *Southwark* in *co. Surrey* now or late in the tenure of *John Wheeler* ; and 1 other messuage in the said parish of *St. Olave*, now or late in the tenure of *George Joyner*.

So seised, the said *Anthony Walker* by indenture dated 6 May, 25 Eliz. [1583], for the love which he bore towards *Thomas Walker* his eldest son and his other children, and also in consideration of a marriage to be solemnized between the said *Thomas Walker* and a certain *Joan Moore* daughter of *John Moore* of the town of *Ipswich* in *co. Suffolk*, merchant, agreed with a certain *Thomas Taylor*, citizen and grocer of *London*, and *Robert Tyas* of *London*, gent., and their heirs that if the said *Thomas Walker* should marry the said *Joan Moore* between the date of the said indenture and the feast of *St. James the Apostle* then next following, that then and from thenceforth the said *Anthony Walker* and his heirs should be seised of the said premises to the use of the said *Thomas Walker* and *Joan Moore* and the heirs of their bodies ; for default, to the use of the said *Thomas* and the heirs of his body ; for default, to the use of *William Walker*, one of the other sons of the said *Anthony* and the heirs of his body ; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Anthony* for ever.

The said *Anthony Walker* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 4 messuages in the said parish of *St. Olave* in the borough of *Southwark* now or late in the several tenures of *Anne Begley*, widow, *William Frith*, *John Cowborowe* and *Robert Bodham* and *Margaret* his wife ; 1 other messuage in the said borough of *Southwark* in the parish of *St. Olave* called *le Flower de Luce*, now or late in the tenure of *Peter Alderiche* ; 2 other messuages in the parish of *St. Saviour* in the borough of *Southwark*, one whereof is called *le White Lyon* in the several tenures of *Arthur Bulman* and *Anne Thomas*, widow, and the other messuage there is called *le Rose* and now is or late was in the tenure of *Thomas Jaques*.

So seised, the said *Anthony Walker* by indenture dated 6 May, 25 Eliz. [1583], agreed with the said *Thomas Taylor* and *Robert Tyas* for the considerations aforesaid that he after the solemnization of the said marriage would be seised of the said premises last recited to the use of him the said *Anthony* for his life ; after his decease, to the use of the said *Thomas Walker* and the heirs of his body ; for default, to the use of the said *William Walker* and the heirs of his body ; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Anthony Walker* for ever.

The said marriage was afterwards had and solemnized.

Of whom or by what service the said mansion wherein the said *Richard Brookeman* lived in the said parish of St. Bartholomew and the 13 messuages in Billiter Lane are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d. The said messuages in the tenure of *Anthony Throkmorton*, *John Hawes* and *Dame Blanche Forman* lying in the said parishes of St. Martin Orgar and St. George next Eastcheap are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee they know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £4 1s. 8d. The 5 messuages in the parish of St. Gregory are held of the Queen in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The premises late of *William Sliwright* in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene in Bermondsey are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, 30s. The premises in Battersey are held of the Queen as of her manor of Battersey in socage by the yearly rent of 7s. 3½d., and are worth per ann., clear, £3.

The manor called Fawnes in Eastebedfonte is held of the lately dissolved monastery of Hunslowe in socage, and is worth per ann., clear, £7 1s. 8d. The premises in Deptforde are held of the Queen in free and common socage by the yearly rent of 6s. 6d., and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The messuage called le Blewe Bore in the parish of St. Michael in Cornhill and the messuages in the parish of St. Thomas the Apostle are held of the Queen in free and common burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The premises in the parishes of St. Olave in Southwark and St. Saviour in Southwark are held of the Queen in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £13 7s. 4d. The messuage in the tenure of *Thomas Jaques* is held of the borough of Southwark by the yearly rent of 4d., and is worth per ann., clear, 20s.

Anthony Walker died 11 May last past; *Thomas Walker* is his son and next heir and was then aged 32 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 230, No. 29.

John Marcant, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 18 February, 33 Eliz. [1591], before *John Allott*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Marcant*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Seawell*, *John Harrison*, *William Harvie*, *John Stephens*, *James Robinson*, *William Crowche*, *Edwards Pilsworthe*, *George Robertes*, *Peter Noxon*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Saunders*, *Thomas Wigges*, *John Dapon*, *Christopher Dickenson* and *Francis Wotton*, who say that

John Marcant was seised in his demesne as of fee of divers messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments lying in the parish of St. Martin in the Vintrey, whereof I now is or late was a Dyehouse formerly in the tenure of *William Calverley*, and now or late in the several tenures of *Robert Swanne* and *Edward Balye*: in whose tenures the residue of the premises now is the jurors know not. All the said premises are held in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d.

On what day or in what year the said *John Marcant* died the jurors know not: *Edmund Marcante* is his son and next heir, but of what age he was when his father died is not known.

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John Hillar.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 33 Eliz. [1591], before *Rowland Heyward*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Hillar* late citizen and goldsmith of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *William Harvy*, *John Stevens*, *William Crowche*, *John Tomson*, *John Bondo*, *James Robinson*, *George Robertes*, *Edward Pilsworthe*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Nicholas Hawkesworth*, *Thomas Wigge*, *Christopher Dickinson*, *Robert Sanders*, *John Langley* and *Peter Noxon*, who say that

John Hillar and *Katherine* his wife were seised to them and the heirs of their bodies of all that messuage and brewhouse called le Flower de Luce with all the houses, buildings, stables, &c., thereto belonging lying in Golding layne in the parish of St. Giles without Creplegate, London: which said *John* and *Katherine* had issue *Robert Hillar* and *Elizabeth Hillar*.

The said *John* survived the said *Katherine*.

The said *John Hillar* was seised in his demesne as of fee of 7 gardens lying on the west side of a certain lane called Golding Lane in co. Middlesex now or late in the several tenures of *Robert Alison*, *Thomas Preiste*, *Hugh Parker*, *John Heathe*, *John Simpson*, *Gregory Patricke* and *William Clarke*; and 6 messuages in Redcrosstreate in the said parish of St. Giles now or late in the several tenures of *Katharine Hyllar*, *Humphrey Cotton*, *Hugh Parker*, *Francis Fryer*, *Ellen Wotton*, widow, *Francis Terrell*, gent., and [blank] *Johnson*, gent.

So seised, the said *John Hyllar* made his will the last day of April, 33 Eliz. [1591], as follows [here given in English]: I give to *William*

Wood and *Thomas Robinson* my daughter's sons and to their heirs for ever all those my gardens or garden plots on the west side of *Golding Lane* in the parish of *St. Giles*.

To *Robert Hylliar* my son for his life I give my messuage or brew-house called the sign of the Flower de Luce lying in *Gouldinge Lane*, now in the tenure of *Robert Allyson*, brewer; and after his decease the remainder thereof to the issue of his body; for default, I will that the reversion thereof shall remain to the maintenance of the poor distressed people inhabiting within the freedom of the City of London in the said parish of *St. Giles* without *Creplegate* for ever, and the lease of the said messuage and brewhouse shall from time to time be made by the good advice of the parson and Churchwardens of the same parish of *St. Giles*, the deputy of the said ward without the gate and of the most part of the "Auncienstes and discretestes parsons parishioners of the same parishe Churche".

I also give to my said son *Robert* for his life all that my capital messuage heretofore demised to *Francis Fryer* situate in *Redcross streate* in the said parish of *St. Giles*; and after his decease the remainder thereof to the issue of his body; for default, to the said *William Wood* and *Thomas Robinson* and their several issue; and for default, to the use of my right heirs for ever.

I also give the reversion as well of my now dwelling house as of all other my messuages, houses, lands, &c., lying in *Redcross-street* whereof and wherein *Katherine* my wife has an estate for term of her life to my said son *Robert* and to the issue of his body; for default, to the said *William Wood* and *Thomas Robinson* and their issue; and for default, to the use of my right heirs for ever.

The messuage called the Flower de Luce is held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £6. The 7 gardens are held of the Queen as of her manor of *East Greenwich* in co. Kent by fealty only in free and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The 6 messuages in *Redcross street* are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

John Hillar died 7 May last past; *Robert Hillar* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 26 years and more.

Katharine Hillar late the wife of the said *John* still survives in the said parish of *St. Giles*.

Chan. Inq. p. m., Ser. 2, vol. 231, No. 74.

Sebastian Bruskett, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 5 September, 34 Eliz. [1592], before *William Webb*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Sebastian Bruskett*, esq., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *Thomas Seawell*, *John Harrison*, *John Stevins*, *William Feake*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *John Tompson*, *John Bonde*, *Peter Noxon*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Nicholas Maddox*, *John Langley*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Saunders*, *Robert Durraunt*, *Richard Rogers* and *Christopher Dickenson*, who say that

Sebastian Bruskett long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage situate in the parish of St. Gabriel Fanchurche, London, now in the tenure of *Peter Van Lore*, jeweller; and 6 messuages lying within a certain lane called St. Sythes Lane in the parish of St. Benedict Sherehogg in the ward of Cordwayner streete, London, now or late in the several tenures of *Jane Bruskett*, widow, *Thomas Wallwyn*, *Thomas Cox*, *Richard Pepper*, *Richard Carpenter* and *John Poole*.

So seised, the said *Sebastian* made his will in November, 1591, as follows [here given in English]: I give to my wife *Jane Bruskett* all my lands and tenements in St. Sythes Lane, being 6 houses in number, the one in the occupation of *Peter Van Lore*, jeweller, the great messuage house in the occupation of [blank], the other tenements in the tenures of [blank]: all the said premises to remain until the marriage of my only daughter and child *Elizabeth Bruskett* to my said wife.

The messuage in the said parish of St. Gabriel Fanchurch is held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 4 marks. The 6 messuages in St. Sythes lane are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £5 10s.

Sebastian Bruskett died 5 August last past; *Elizabeth Bruskett* is his only daughter and next heir, and is now aged 12 years, 6 months and 5 days.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 232, No. 9.

William Billinge, Citizen and Marchandler.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 June, 34 Eliz. [1592], before *William Webbe*, Mayor and escheator by virtue of a writ *de melius inquirend*, after the death of *William Billynge*, citizen and waxchandler of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenssen*, *Thomas*

Russell, Thomas Sewell, John Harrison, William Harvy, John Stevyns, William Crowche, John Bonde, James Robinson, George Robertes, Nicholas Hawkesforthe, Edward Swayne, Christopher Dickenson, John Langley, Robert Saunders, Richard Rogers, John Palmer, John Jennings and Thomas Wiggess, who say that

William Billinge long before his death was seized in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage in the parish of St. Laurence in Old Jewry, London, and so seised made his will 31st October, 1581, and thereby bequeathed the said messuage to *Joan Billinge* then his wife and to her heirs for ever.

The said messuage is held of the Queen in chief by the 100th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d.

William Billinge died the last day of May, 1582. Afterwards the said *Joan*, late the wife of the said *William*, married *Edward Winstanley* of London, gent., and they were jointly seized of the said messuage in right of the said *Joan*.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 232, No. 10.

John Kettell alias Wyttye, Citizen and Clothworker.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 19 February, 34 Eliz. [1592], before *William Webb*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Kettell alias Wyttye*, citizen and clothworker of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson, Thomas Sewell, John Harrison, William Harvy, William Crowtche, James Robinson, George Robertes, Edward Pillesworth, Nicholas Hawkesforth, Thomas Wiggess, Edward Swayne, Thomas Smith, Christopher Dickenson, Robert Saunders, and John Langley*, who say that

John Kettell alias Wyttye, long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage lying in a certain street called Candlewickestreete, in the parish of St. Mary Abchurch, London, late in the tenure of the said *John Kettell*.

So seised the said *John* in fulfilment of certain covenants specified in certain indenture made between himself of the one part and *Francis Stoughton* of the Inner Temple, London, gent., and *Anthony Marler*, citizen and mercer of London, of the other part, agreed as follows [indenture here given in full in English]: Indenture made 31 December, 28 Eliz. [1585] between the said *John Kettell* of the one part and the said *Francis Stoughton* and *Anthony Marler* of the other part. Whereas the said *John Kettell* is now seised in his demesne as of fee simple to him and his heirs for ever, or in fee tail general or special of all that

messuage situate in Candlewicke street, late of *William Kettell*, late citizen and clothworker of London, deceased, father of the said *John* and now in the occupation of the said *John*: whereas also the said *John Kettell* intends shortly by the grace of God to take to wife *Martha Lawrence*, daughter of *Thomas Lawrence*, late citizen and draper of London, deceased: these indentures witness that in consideration of the said marriage and for a jointure to be made for the said *Martha*, it is agreed between the said parties that the said *John Kettell* shall before the end of Hilary term next following at his own costs suffer the said *Francis* and *Anthony* to prosecute him in a writ of *Entre in le Poste* before the Justices of the Common Pleas at Westminster, in order that a recovery may be had of the said messuage to the intent that the said *Francis* and *Anthony* shall stand thereof seised to the use of the said *John Kettell* and his heirs until the said marriage be solemnized, and afterwards to the use of the said *John* and *Martha* and the heirs of the said *John* for ever.

Afterwards, to wit, in Hilary term, 28 Eliz., a certain recovery was suffered of the said messuage, by pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *John Kettell* was thereof seised until the said marriage.

The said marriage was afterwards solemnized. The said *John Kettell* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 other messuage, now or late in the tenure of *John Pearson*, fishmonger, lying in the street called Bridge street in the parish of St. Magnus the Martyr in London.

So seised, the said *John* made his will 1 January, 1591 [here given in English] as follows: I give the messuage wherein I now dwell and the 2 shops thereto belonging and the reversions thereof immediately after the death of *Martha* my wife, who has an estate therein for life, to *William Kettell* my son and to the heirs of his body; for default, and for default of male issue of my body I give the same to my daughter *Grace Kettell* and to the heirs of her body; for default, to *William Kettell* my man and to the heirs of his body; and for default to my right heirs for ever.

I give to the said *Martha* my wife for the bringing up and education of my children my messuage situate in New Fish street, now in the occupation of *Edmond Goodwyn*, which I lately purchased of *Mr. Keeling*, and all the rents thereof until the said *William* my son shall accomplish his full age of 21, or if he die, until my said daughter shall come of age or marry; if they both die (which God forbidd) then my said wife shall have the said messuage for life.

The said messuage in the parish of St. Mary Abchurch is held of

the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and is worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d. Of whom or by what service the messuage in the parish of St. Magnus the Martyr is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

John Kettell died 23 January last past; *William Kettell* is his son and next heir and was aged 3 years on the 25th day of December last past.

The said *Martha* still survives in the parish of St. Mary Abchurch.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 232, No. 47.

Edward Orwell, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 19 February, 34 Eliz. [1592], before *William Webbe*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Edward Orwell* of London, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Sawill*, *John Harrison*, *William Harvey*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *George Robertes*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *Nicholas Hawkesforthe*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Edward Swayne*, *Thomas Smith*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Robert Saunders*, and *John Langley*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Edward Orwell*, a certain *Lawrence Husey*, Doctor of Laws, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage with a garden thereto adjoining, wherein the said *Edward Orwell* lately dwelt, lying in the parish of Christchurch, London, which was formerly the parish of St. Ewin in Newgate market, London.

So seised, the said *Edward* by deed dated 23 May, 21 Eliz. [1579], sold the said messuage and garden to the said *Edward Orwell* and *Mary* then his wife and to the heirs of the said *Edward*, by virtue whereof they entered into the said premises and were thereof seised. The said *Edward* in his demesne as of fee and the said *Mary* in her demesne as of free tenement for her life. The said *Edward* and *Mary* were seised to them and the heirs of the said *Edward* of 1 marsh containing 15 a. called Wild land marsh lying in Rypley Marsh within the parish of Barking in co. Essex; 4 a. lying within Dyers land in Barking; 4½ a. of marsh lying in Ripley marsh, late of *Robert Tirrell*, lately purchased of *Westan Browne*, esq.; 1 messuage in Brenchley in co. Kent, with all those lands, tenements, and hereditaments called Yonges, le Rech, Mayland, Cattesland and Powlehurst; 3 pieces or parcels of land and wood called Sherman Reede, Byrchett and Longland containing 40 a. of land lying in the chapelry of Uckfould within the parish of Buckstead in co. Sussex; 1 parcel of meadow called Fulling mill

meade containing 4 a. 1 r. of land there near Bullicatts mill lately purchased of *Arthur Longworth*.

The said *Edward Orwell* was also seised of 3 other messuages and 3 gardens with 1 close thereto adjacent in Brenchley, lately purchased of *John Alchorne*.

The said *Edward* made his will 5 January, 1591 [here given in English] as follows: I give to my "most kinde wiefe" *Mary* and her heirs for all, all my lands and tenements at Brenchley in co. Kent to the end that she make sale thereof to the most advantage as soon as may be, and the money thereof coming to go towards the payment of my debts and the education and preferment of my daughters in marriage; but if the said *Mary* die then I give the said premises to *Mr. Doctor Lewyn* and to my cousin *Mr. Robert Hamond* and to their heirs for ever, to sell the same to the uses before mentioned.

The messuage and other the premises within the City of London are held of the Queen in chief by the 200th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, 5 marks.

The 15 a. of marsh called Wildelond and the 4 a. of land within Dyers land are held of the Queen in chief by the 200th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, 55s. of whom the said 4½ a. of marsh, late of *Robert Tyrrell* are held is not known: they are worth per ann. 11s. 8d. The said premises in Brenchley purchased of *William Barrentine*, viz., the said messuage, garden, 10 a. of land and 20 a. of pasture are held of the manor of Sallmons in co. Kent by fealty only in common socage, and are worth per ann., 33s. 4d. Ten acres of land, 20 a. of pasture and 30 a. of wood being another parcel of the said premises are held of the manor of Yalding in co. Kent in free socage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d. Twenty acres of land and 40 a. of pasture parcel and residue of the said premises late of *William Barentyne* are held of the manor of Woldham in co. Kent in free socage by fealty only, and are worth per ann. 50s. The premises purchased of *John Alchorne* are held of the manor of Yalding by fealty in free socage, and are worth per ann., 20s.

Of whom the said premises in Sussex are held is not known: they are worth per ann. 40s.

Edward Orwell died 5 January last past; *Edward Orwell* is his son and next heir and was aged 12 years on the 14th day of June last past.

The said *Mary*, late the wife of the said *Edward Orwell* still survives

John Graunge, Citizen and Haberdasher.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 19 February, 34 Eliz. [1592], before *William Webb*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Graunge*, citizen and haberdasher of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *John Harrison*, *William Harvy*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *George Robertes*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *Nicholas Hawkesforth*, *Thomas Wigg*, *Edward Swayne*, *Thomas Smith*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Robert Saunders*, *John Langley* and *Thomas Sawyll*, who say that *John Graunge* was seised of 7 messuages now made into 8 messuages, with all shops, cellars, sollars, entries, ways, lights, &c., thereto belonging now or late in the several tenures of the said *John Graunge*, *Thomas Wetherall*, *Henry Taylford*, *Elizabeth Dryver*, widow, *John Carter*, *John Richardson*, and *John Evans*, lying in the parish of St. Martin within Ludgate, London: which said premises he purchased to him and his heirs of *Richard Willis* and *Katherine* his wife, daughter and heir of *Robert Phillippes*, late citizen and leather-seller of London, deceased; also all those lands, tenements, soil or ground late of *Thomas Alleyn* situate under any part of the houses, buildings, tenements or hereditaments of the said *John Graunge* being in the said parish of St. Martin near Ludgate, *viz.*, all that land and soil containing in length 18 feet and in width $7\frac{1}{2}$ feet, which adjoin the west part of a certain wall, soil and land of the said *Thomas Alleyn*, and lies under part of the house and structure of the said *John Graunge* in the said parish; all that land and soil with a sink or washhouse (*sentina sive latrina*) there containing in length 12 feet and in width 8 feet adjoining the north part of the said wall, and lies under parcel of the house of the said *John* in the said parish; all that entry, soil and ground adjoining the north part of the said wall lying under the said house in the said parish, containing in length 10 feet and in width $2\frac{1}{2}$ feet; all that soil and ground adjoining the west part of the said wall lying under the said house in the said parish, containing in length 8 feet and in breadth 5 feet: which said premises last recited the said *John Graunge* purchased to him and his heirs of *Thomas Alleyn*, citizen and haberdasher of London; also of divers other messuages with all the houses, buildings, barns, stables, gardens, orchards, &c., thereto belonging, now or late in the several tenures of the most noble *William Herbert*, knight, late Earl of Pembroke, deceased, [blank] *Bryche*, *Joan Wyse*, widow, *Anthony Uvedale*, *Thomas Moore*, *Henry Hye*, [blank] *Throwghton* and [blank] *Wilson*, lying in the parish of St. Giles in the Fields in co. Middlesex: all which said premises last recited the said *John Graunge*

purchased to him and his heirs of *Robert Downes* of Acton in co. Suffolk, esq., and *Edward Downes*, brother of the said *Robert*, gent., 1 close of land called Newlands, containing about 24 acres, and all that parcel of land or lane to the said close adjoining, now or late in the tenure of *George Harrison*, gent., lying within the parish of Mariboone in co. Middlesex, all which said premises last recited the said *John Graunge* purchased to him and his heirs of the said *Robert Downes* of Acton in co. Suffolk, esq., and *George Downes* of Sudbury in the said county, gent.; 1 other messuage called Turkes *alias* Turkes at Wateringes with all the houses, buildings, barns, stables, gardens, &c., thereto belonging; 4 closes of arable land and pasture lying near the said messuage, containing about 30 a.; 1 croft called Swannes Crofte containing about 4 a.; 1 marsh or meadow called Gubbines meade, containing about 10 a.; 1 other marsh or meadow called Thorne meade containing about 6 a.; 1 marsh called Redd meade containing about 3 a.; 2 other marshes called Chatterings containing about 4 a.; 4 a. in the common marsh of Havering: all which said premises last recited are in the vills and parishes of Hornchurch and Havering in co. Essex, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Heard* deceased, and were purchased by the said *John Graunge* to him and his heirs of *John Page* of the Inner Temple London, gent., and *John Legatt* of Hornechurch Hall in the parish of Hornchurch, Essex, gent.

The 7 messuages now made into 8, lying near Ludgate in the parish of St. Martin, are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, to wit, by the 20th part of one knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 12s. 4d., and are worth per ann., clear, £4. Of whom the said land, soil or ground in the said parish of St. Martin lately purchased of the said *Thomas Alleyn* are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 3s. 4d. The messuages lying in the parish of St. Giles in the Fields, the close of land or pasture called Newlandes with the lane thereto adjacent, lying in the parish of Mariboone are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £5. Of whom the messuage called Turkes with all the parcels of land, meadow and marsh thereto belonging lying in the vills and parishes of Hornechurch and Havering are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 30s.

John Graunge died 28 October, 33 Eliz. [1591]; *John Graunge* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 30 years and more.

Christopher Myers, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 8 May, 34 Eliz. [1592], before *William Webb*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Christopher Myers*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *John Harrison*, *William Crowche*, *William Feake*, *Edward Osborne*, *John Bonde*, *John Thompson*, *Edward Pilsworth*, *John Adlin*, *John Dixon*, *Thomas Wigge*, *James Robinson*, *Edward Swayne*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Robert Derant*, *Robert Saunders*, *Stephen Porter* and *Cuthbert Lee*, who say that

Christopher Myers long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and 1 garden late in the tenure of *Thomas Bramley* lying within the parish of St. Margaret in Lothbury, London; 1 other messuage and garden situate in the street of Lothbury in the said parish now in the tenure of *Richard Goode*; 1 other messuage lying in the parish of St. Margaret Moyses in the street called Friday street, London, late in the tenure of *William Hobson*; 1 other messuage with all the buildings, gardens, stables, &c., thereto belonging commonly called Ridegate *alias* Rigate in the street of East Smithfield near the Tower of London in the parish of St. Botolph without Algate, London, formerly parcel of the lands and possessions of the late Monastery of Coggeshall *alias* Coxhall in co. Essex, dissolved; 1 other messuage with all houses, &c., &c., situate in the parish of St. Mary, Athill [upon the Hill] next Billingsgate, London, now in the tenure of *Roger Staveld*, sometime parcels of the lands and possessions of the late College of Pontefract in co. York. So seised, the said *Christopher Myers* in fulfilment of certain covenants specified in certain indentures dated 12 May, 19 Elizabeth [1577] made between him the said *Christopher* of the one part and *Richard Allington* of Westley in co. Cambridge, gent., of the other part, in consideration of a marriage to be had between the said *Christopher Myers* and *Margaret Allington*, one of the daughters of the said *Richard Allington*, to the intent that she may have a sufficient jointure out of the lands, &c., of the said *Christopher* and in full satisfaction of her dower, agreed by the said indenture that he or his heirs at or before the feast of St. John the Baptist then next following would levy a fine of the said messuage called Ridegate *alias* Rigate in East Smithfield near Tower Hill, and the messuage in the said parish of St. Mary Athill next Billingsgate to a certain *Clement Cisley*, Esq., and to the said *Richard Allington*, gent., and should acknowledge the said tenements to be the right of the said *Clement* and should remise the same to the said *Clement* and *Richard* and the heirs of the said *Clement* for ever: which said fine should be to the use of the said

Christopher Myers and *Margaret* and of the heirs of their bodies; and after their deceases without issue, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Christopher* for ever.

Shortly afterwards the said *Christopher* married the said *Margaret*, and a fine was levied of the said premises to the said *Clement Cisley* and *Richard Allington* to the uses above declared: by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Christopher* and *Margaret* were jointly seised of the said premises.

The first of the said 2 messuages in the said parish of St. Margaret, Lothbury, is held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage, and is worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The other messuage there is held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. Of whom the said messuage in Friday Street in the said parish of St. Margaret Moyses is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage called Rydgate in East Smithfield is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee is not known, and is worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d. Of whom the tenement in the parish of St. Mary Athill is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d. *Christopher Myers* died 24 February, 34 Eliz.; *Walter Myers* is his son and next heir and was aged 14 years on the 16th day of March last past.

The said *Margaret* still survives.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 232, No. 57.

Edward Leighe, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 10 June, 34 Eliz. [1592], before *William Webb*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Edward Leighe*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Sawyll*, *William Harvey*, *William Crouche*, *William Feake*, *John Bonde*, *James Robinson*, *George Robertes*, *Richard Rogers*, *Edward Swayne*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Robert Saunders*, *Robert Durrant* and *Thomas Russell*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Edward Leighe* a certain *Robert Grace*, late citizen and clothworker of London, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage lying in the street of Fleetstreete in the parish of St. Brigitte *alias* St. Brydes, London, now or late in the tenure of [blank] *Lodge*; and 1 messuage or inn called le Rose with divers tenements thereto adjacent, with stables, cellars, &c., lying in the street of West Smithfield in the parish of St. Sepulchre in the suburbs of the City of London, now or late occupied by *William Freeman*, *Cuthbert Rydley* and *George Gibson*.

So seised, the said *Robert Grace* made his will dated 16 October, 5 and 6 Philip and Mary [1558] as follows [here given in English]:

I give to *Henry Leighe* all my lands and tenements in Fleet street and Smithfield for the term of his life; after his death, the same to remain to *Garrett Leighe* and to the heirs of his body for ever.

By virtue of which said will, the said *Henry Leigh* immediately after the death of the said *Robert Grace* entered into the said premises and was thereof seised in his demesne as of free tenement for term of his life, the remainder thereof belonging to the said *Garrett Leighe* son of the said *Henry* and the heirs of his body for ever: which said *Garrett* died in the lifetime of the said *Henry*, having issue a certain *Edward Leigh* (named in the writ).

Long before the death of the said *Edward Leigh* King Henry 8 by his Letters Patent dated 23 September in the 34th year of his reign [1542] gave to *John Nashe* then one of the pages (*pagetorum*) of the chamber and to *Alice* then his wife, *inter alia*, all that messuage, with cellars, houses, &c., lying in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West in Fleete streete, *viz.*, between the tenement of *William Kyrbye* on the west and the tenement of *Robert Duche* on the east, then in the tenure of the said *William Kyrby* and late in that of *John Bray*, and sometime belonging to the late house or priory of the Carmelite brothers in the suburbs of London, lately dissolved. The said *John Nashe* died some years ago, and the said *Alice* survived him and afterwards married [blank] *Garawey* and still survives at Acton in co. Middlesex.

Afterwards King Henry 8 by Letters Patent dated 19 January in the 35th year of his reign [1544] gave *inter alia* to *Thomas Brooke*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, the reversion of the said messuage: to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

So seised, the said *Thomas Brooke* by deed dated 23 February, 35 Hen. 8 [1544] gave to the said *Henry Leigh*, grandfather of the said *Edward Leigh* (named in the writ) *inter alia* the reversion of the said messuage: to hold to the said *Henry* and to *Isabella* then his wife and to the heirs of the said *Henry* for ever: by virtue whereof the said *Henry* was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee in reversion after the death of the said *Alice Garawey*.

Before the death of the said *Edward Leigh* the said *Henry Leigh* was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that messuage with cellars, houses, &c., situate in the said parish of St. Dunstan in Fleete streete, *viz.*, between the tenement of the said *William Kirby* on the west and the tenement of the said *Robert Duche* on the east, formerly in the tenure of *John Wisenden* and afterwards in that of *Elizabeth Chippingdall*, formerly belonging to the House of the Carmelite brothers in the suburbs

of London; also all that messuage with houses, shops, &c., lying in the said parish of St. Dunstan, late in the tenure of *John Ouley*, and afterwards divided into 3 small messuages then in the several tenures of the said *Henry Leigh*, *John Burder* and *Roger Mellye*: which said messuage in the tenure of the said *Henry Leighe* was known by the name of the *Marigolde*; and all that piece of land containing 7 feet to the said messuage adjoining, lying in the said street and parish, then in the tenure of the said *Henry Leighe*, and to the said late house of the Carmelite brothers sometime belonging: which said piece of land was then built upon and was parcel of the said 3 messuages: which said messuages and land the said *Henry Leigh* purchased to him and his heirs of the said *Henry Brooke*; 1 other house or messuage called *le Flower de Luce*, then in the tenure of *John Harward* and afterwards in that of *Anthony Hickman* lying in *Fleete streete*; divers other tenements in *Fewter Lane* in the parish of St. Dunstan in *Fleete streete* to the late monastery of St. Mary Overy in co. Surrey formerly belonging: which said house called *le Flower de Luce* the said *Henry Leigh* purchased to him and his heirs of *Thomas Arundell*, knight, and *Henry Saunders*.

So seised, the said *Henry Leigh* the grandfather made his will 6 April, 1568, as follows [here given in English]: I give all my lands, tenements, rents, &c., as well within the City of London and the suburbs thereof as elsewhere within the realm of England to *Edward Leighe*, son and heir of the said *Gerard Leigh*, for his life; after his decease, then to the first begotten son of the body of the said *Edward* and to the heirs male of his body; for default, to the 2nd to the 12th sons of the said *Edward* and to the heirs male of their several bodies; for default, then to *Suzan*, *Elizabeth*, *Anne*, *Margaret* and *Alice Leigh*, daughters of the said *Gerard* my son, and to the several heirs of their several bodies; for default, to the heirs general of the body of the said *Edward*; for default, to the right heirs of my cousin *Henry Leighe*, son of *Robert Leigh* late of *Eastwick* in co. Hertford and to their heirs for ever, provided always that *Margery Nicholson*, widow, shall have for her life after the death of *Elizabeth* my wife 1 tenement of the yearly rent of 20s., now in the tenure of *William Blage* lying in *Fetter Lane* in the said parish of St. Dunstons, paying yearly for the same 1 pepper corn.

So seised, the said *Henry Leighe* died 9 . . . , 10 Eliz., after whose death the said *Edward* entered into all the said premises and was thereof seised in his demesne as of freehold for the term of his life, with remainders as abovesaid.

The said *Edward Leighe* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 stable in *le White Friars* in London.

Of whom the said messuage in Fleet street in the said parish of St. Brigitt late of the said *Robert Grace* is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, 20. Of whom the messuage or inn called le Rose in West Smithfield is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, 50s. All the said lands, messuages and tenements lying in the said parish of St. Dunstan in the West, in Fleet street, purchased of the said *Thomas Brooke*, are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 100th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £7. The messuage called le Flower de Luce and the said tenement assigned to the said *Margery Nicholson* lying in the said street and parish are held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief and are worth per ann., clear, £4 13s. 4d. Of whom the stable in le White Fryers is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, 10s. 4d.

Edward Leigh died 12th June, 32 Eliz. [1590] without issue; *Suzanna* now the wife of *John Nicolls*, *Anna* now the wife of *John Osborne*, and *Margaret Nixon*, widow, relict of *Robert Nixon*, deceased are the sisters and next coheirs of the said *Edward*, the said *Suzanna* being aged 38 years and more, the said *Anna* 26 years and more and the said *Margaret* 28 years and more at the time of the death of the said *Edward*. *Elizabeth Leighe*, and *Alice Leighe* 2 of the daughters of the said *Garrett Leighe* died without issue in the lifetime of the said *Edward*.

Margery Robertes alias Nicholson still survives. *Edward Bearblocke*, citizen and goldsmith of London, entered into all the premises late of *Robert Grace* immediately after the death of the said *Edward Leighe* and took the issues thereof, but by what title the jurors know not.

John Nicholls in right of the said *Suzanna*, *John Osbourne* in right of the said *Anne* and *Robert Nixon* and *Margaret* his wife took the rents and profits of the residue of the premises from the death of the said *Edward* by virtue of the will of the said *Henry Leighe*.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 232, No. 78.

Richard Crofte, Idiot.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 March, 35 Eliz. [1593], before *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City, and *David Lewes*, deputy of *William Rowe*, Mayor and escheator, commissioners, by virtue of a commission to them and to *Richard Yonge*, esq., *William Danyell*, esq., and *Thomas Redman*, gent., directed to enquire into the idiotcy of *Richard Crofte*, by the oath of *Thomas Sawill*, *William Harvie*, *William Crouche*, *James Robinson*, *John Thompson*, *Hugh*

Ingram, Edward Pillesworthe, Nicholas Hawkisforthe, Thomas Wigges, Christopher Dickenson, Cuthbert Lee, Robert Saunders, Robert Durrant, John Palmer, Andrew Feild, Robert Gomersall and Richard Kirbie, who say that

Richard Crofte is an ediot and incapable of managing himself or his lands and goods: he has been an idiot since his birth and still is so by the visitation of God, but enjoys lucid intervals.

The said *Richard* has not alienated any lands to the knowledge of the jurors: he is seised of divers lands and tenements in the vills, parishes or hamlets of Reading and Braye in co. Berks, now or late in the several tenures of *Nicholas Gunter, Robert Bennett, Arnold Champion* and others [not named] but of whom or by what services they are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £20.

Who is the next heir of the said *Richard* the jurors know not.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 236, No. 35.

Christopher Webbe, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 June, 35 Eliz. [1593], before *William Rowe*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Christopher Webbe*, gent., by the oath of *Thomas Sawill, William Harvie, William Crowche, Edward Osbourne, James Robinson, Hugh Lea, John Langley, Edward Pillesworthe, Hugh Ingram, Thomas Wigges, Robert Saunders, John Jennings, Robert Durrant, Andrew Feild,* and *Henry Best*, who say that

Christopher Webbe on the day of his death was not seised of any messuages, lands or tenements in the City of London in demesne reversion or service, but long before his death he was seised of the 3rd part of 1 capital messuage with le wharfe thereto belonging, in 3 parts to be divided called le Ashling wharfe and formerly called Puckman's wharfe and afterwards called Crechurchewharfe and lately called Gybson's Key *alias* Draper's Keye, formerly in the tenure of *Christopher Draper*, knight, in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East, London; and the 3rd part, in three parts to be divided, of all those messuages to the said capital messuage annexed, now or late in the several tenures of *William Wyggin, John Bryckett* and *Robert Nunne*.

So seised, the said *Christopher Webbe*, the licence of the Queen being first obtained, by charter dated 8 January, 34 Eliz. [1592], acknowledged, according to the custom of the City of London, before *William Fleetwode*, recorder, and *Wolstan Dixie*, knight, alderman, and afterwards enrolled in the Hustings, in consideration of a competent

sum of money to him paid by *William Webbe* his father, then Mayor of the said City, now Knight, granted all the said premises to the said *William Webbe* and his heirs for ever.

The said sum of money mentioned in the said charter was £200 and the said premises were not worth more than that.

Before the making of the said charter, *viz.*, on the 6th day of January, 34 Eliz. [1592], the said *Christopher* made his will and made his said father executor.

Afterwards the said *William* administered the goods and chattels of the said *Christopher* and paid to his wife and children their due portions, and also his debts.

The said charter and bargain were made by the said *Christopher* to the said *William* in good faith and not to the intent to defraud the Queen of her prerogatives, primer, seisin or relief.

The said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the 3rd part of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 3 $\frac{3}{4}$ d.

Christopher Webbe died 11 January, 34 Eliz.; *William Webb*, junior, is his son and next heir, and is now aged 2 years, 5 months and 5 days.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 236, No. 63.

Ralph Porter, Citizen and Grocer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 16 May, 35 Eliz. [1593], before *William Rowe*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Ralph Porter*, citizen and grocer of London, by the oath of *Thomas Saywell*, *William Harvie*, *William Feake*, *William Crooch*, *James Robinson*, *John Tompson*, *Hugh Lea*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *John Adlen*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Thomas Wigges*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Robert Saunders*, *Robert Durrant*, *John Langley*, *Richard Rogers*, *Andrew Feild*, *John Jennynge*, *John Palmer* and *Henry Best* who say that

Ralph Porter long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 6 messuages lying within the parish of St. Augustine near Paul's Gate, London, now or late in the several tenures of *John Porter*, *Thomas Wilkyns*, *Margery Rydeo*, widow, *Edward Burles*, *William Laurence* and *Ralph Gueste*.

So seised, the said *Ralph Porter* made his will the last day of October, 1592, and thereby gave all his lands and tenements to *John Porter* his son and his heirs for ever.

The said messuages are held of the Queen in free and common socage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £10.

Ralph Porter died 5 April last past ; *John Porter* is his only son and next heir, and is now aged 20 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 236, No. 68.

Edward Osborne, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 19 May, 35 Eliz. [1593], before *William Rowe*, knight, Mayor and escheator, as well after the death of *Edward Osborne*, knight, as of *Dame Anne*, his wife, daughter and heir of *William Hewett*, knight, by the oath of *Thomas Sawill*, *William Harvey*, *William Crouch*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Lea*, *Edward Pillsworth*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Cuthbert Lea*, *Robert Saunders*, *Robert Durraunt*, *John Langley*, *Andrew Feild*, *John Jennynghes*, *John Palmer*, *Henry Beost* and *Thomas Hyde*, who say that.

Edward Osborne, knight, long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of divers tenements in the said City, and a certain *William Hewett*, knight, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 tenement called le Crowne and 2 small tenements in the parish of St. Dionisius Backchurche in the said City.

After the death of the said *William Hewett* the said tenements descended to the said *Dame Anne Osborne*, late the wife of the said *Edward Osborne*, knight (named in the writ), and the said *Edward* and *Anne* in right of the said *Anne* were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee.

The said *Edward* had several sons and daughters by the said *Anne* and after her death held the said premises solely.

The said *Edward* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 mansion house wherein he lately dwelt in the parish of St. Dionisius Backchurch, 1 tenement thereto adjoining in the tenure of *Robert Bringborne* together with a hayloft and stable, and 1 tenement called le Rose and le Pomgranate in Fishstrete *alias* Newfishstreete, London, now or late in the tenure of *James Stapers*, and 5 cottages in the parish of St. Margaret Patentess, London.

So seised, the said *Edward Osborne* made his will 18 January, 34 Eliz. [1592], and thereby devised the said mansion house with the tenement and hayloft, the said messuage in Fish Street and 1 tenement in the said parish of St. Margaret Patentess to *Dame Margaret Osborne* the relict of the said *Edward* for the term of her life.

The tenement called le Crowne and the 2 tenements in the parish of St. Dionisius Backchurch are held of the Queen in chief by the

service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The mansion house with the tenement and hayloft are held of the Queen in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s 4d. The tenement called le Rose and le pomgranate in Fish street is held of the Queen in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The 5 cottages in the parish of St. Margaret Patentes are held of the Queen in free burgage; 4 of them are worth per ann., clear, 4 marks, and the 5th devised to the said *Dame Margaret*, 13s. 4d.

Edward Osborne died 4 February, 34 Eliz.; *Hewett Osborne* is his son and heir by the said *Dame Anne*, the first wife of the said *Sir Edward*, and was then aged 25 years.

The said *Hewett* took the profits of the said tenement called le Crowne, and the said *Dame Margaret* took the issues and rents of the residue of the said premises.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 236, No. 73.

Blanche Skinner.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 June, 35 Eliz. [1593] before *William Rowe*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Blanche Skinner*, late the wife of *Thomas Skinner*, alderman of the said City, formerly the wife of *John Lambert* and sometime the wife of *Dunstan Walton*, citizen and mercer of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sawill*, *William Harvie*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *John Thompson*, *Hugh Lee*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Saunders*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Robert Durraunt*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Field*, *John Palmer*, *Henry Beste* and *Christopher Askwithe*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Blanche Skinner* a certain *Dame Blanche Forman* was seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 messuage, 3 tenements, and 1 garden in the parish of St. Christopher, London, in the ward of Brodestreete.

So seised, the said *Dame Blanche* enfeoffed thereof *John Graffam* and *William Person* and their heirs for ever to the uses specified in certain indentures, the tenor whereof is as follows [here given in English]: this indenture quadripartite made 3 May, 5 Eliz. [1563], between *Dame Blanche Forman*, widow, late the wife of *Sir William Forman*, knight, late alderman of London, deceased, and *John Watson* son and heir of *William Watson*, late of said City, mercer, deceased, and *Jane* his wife of the first part, *Dunstan Walton* of the said City, mercer, and *Blanche* his wife one of the daughters of the said *William Watson* deceased, of the 2nd part, *Anne Watson* another of the daughters of the said *William Watson* of the 3rd part, and *John Graffham*, citizen and

grocer of London, and *William Pierson*, citizen and scrivener of the said City, of the 4th part, witnesses that the said *Dame Blanche Forman* in her pure widowhood by deed dated 18 May, 35 Hen. 8 [1543], granted to *Sir John Gressham*, knight, and *Guy Crayford*, esq., all that her messuage and the 3 tenements thereof adjoining lying near the Stockes in the parish of St. Christopher and all the gardens and backsides there-to belonging: to hold to them and their heirs for ever to the use of the said *Blanche* and of *Robert Palmer*, deceased, whom the said *Blanche* then intended to marry, and the heirs of their bodies; for default, to the use of the said *William Watson* and *Jane* his wife and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *William Watson* for ever, by force whereof the said *Sir John Gressham* and *Guy Crayford* were seised of the said premises in their demesne as of fee to the said use: Now the said *Dame Blanche Forman* and *John Watson* minding to convey the said premises after the death of the said *Dame Blanche* and of the said *John Watson* without heir of his body to the said *Dunstan Walton* and *Blanche* his wife and the heirs of their bodies; for default, to remain to the said *Anne Watson* and the heirs of her body; for default, to remain to the right heirs of the said *Dame Blanche Forman* for ever—agree that they before the feast of Pentecost next following shall assure and convey at their own costs to the said *John Graffham* and *William Pierson* and their heirs a good and sufficient estate in fee simple of the said messuage and garden in the said parish of St. Christopher by deed, fine or otherwise, to the use of the said *Dame Blanche Forman* for the term of her life, and after her decease to the use of the said *John Watson* and the heirs of his body, for default, to the use of the said *Dunstan Walton* and *Blanche* his wife and the heirs of their bodies; for default, to the use of the said *Anne Watson* daughter of the said *William* and the heirs of her body; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Dame Blanche Forman* for ever.

Afterwards, to wit, on Monday next before the feast of St. Barnabas the Apostle, 5 Eliz. [1563], the said *John Graffham* and *William Peirson* recovered the said premises against the said *Dame Blanche Forman*, by reason whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Dame Blanche* was thereof seized in her desmesne as of freehold, with remainders as abovesaid.

Dame Blanche Forman died 8 August in the said 5th year; after her death, the said *John Watson* entered into the said premises and was thereof seized in his demesne as of fee-tail.

In the lifetime of the said *John Watson* to wit, on the 19th day of March, 1571, the said *Dunstan Walton* died without issue of his body by *Blanche* his wife. Afterwards, to wit, on the 18th day of October,

1574, the said *Anne Watson* who married *Thomas Duck*, citizen and clothworker of London, likewise died, having issue *Dunstan Duck* who still survives.

John Watson died 19 December, 1574, without issue of his body, after whose death the said *Blanche* wife of the said *Dunstan Walton* entered into the said premises.

Afterwards the said *Blanche* married *Thomas Skynner*, alderman of London, and died seised of the said premises 24 April, 35 Eliz. [1593], without issue by the said *Dunstan Walton*.

The premises in the said ward of Broodestreete are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £24 13s. 6d. *Dunstan Ducke* is the son and heir of the said *Anne Ducke* and was aged 21 years, 2 months and more at the time of the death of the said *Blanche Skynner*.

John Stanney of Oswaldestrie in co. Salop, draper, is the kinsman and heir of the said *Dame Blanche Forman*, viz., son of *John Stanney* son of *Thomas Stanney*, brother of the said *Dame Blanche*, and is aged 40 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., vol. 237, No. 117.

Peter Baker, Citizen and Scribener of London.

Inquisition taken at Guildhall, 20 September, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Richard Martyn*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Peter Baker*, citizen and scrivener of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvy*, *William Crowche*, *Oliver Skynner*, *James Robynson*, *Robert Saunders*, *Robert Durrante*, *Clement Buck*, *Nicholas Madox*, *Andrew Felde*, *Stephen Porter*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Richard Rogers*, *Richard Mylles*, *Richard Kirby*, *Henry Best*, *James Taylor* and *Micheal Crowche* who say that

Peter Baker and *Elizabeth* his wife long before the death of the said *Peter*, were seised to them and to the heirs of the said *Peter*, viz., the said *Elizabeth* in her demesne as of free tenement and the said *Peter* in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages now or late in the several tenures of *Robert Cobbe*, and *Thomas Revington* lying in Hosier Lane alias Bowelane in the Parish of St. Mary at Bowe in the said City of London; 1 messuage now used for 2 tenements now or late in the occupation of *Thomas Madoxe*, "Iremonger" lying in the parish of St. Stephen in Colemanstreet, London; divers messuages called the Blacke Swanne and 4 gardens now or late in the several tenures of the said *Peter Baker*, *Marie Goldinge*, widow, *Robert*

Lee, merchant-tailor, *Henry Dove*, . . . *Symple*, widow and . . . *Knight*, situate in, at or near London Wall, in the said parish, of St. Stephen.

The said *Peter* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called the Cock, lying near London Wall, in the parish of All Saints, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Peter*; divers (?) messuages with 3 shops now or late in the several tenures of *William Norton*, "virginall" maker, *Benedict Barwick* and *John Norton*, butcher, situate in Bisshopesgate street in the parish of St. Ethelborough, London; 1 messuage now or late in the tenure of *Margaret Silvester*, widow, lying in Hownsditch in the parish of St. Botolph without Algate, London; 1 messuage now or late in the tenure of *Peter Lupo*, situate in the said parish of St. Botolph; divers messuages now or late in the several tenures of *Michael Watson*, *Nicholas Baylye*, *Godfrey* and *Thomas Bickerton* lying in Penthecoste Lane in the parish of Christ Church near St. Nicholas Fleshshambles; 1 messuage now or late in the tenure of *James Warre* situate in the parish of St. Clement Danes without Temple Bar in co. Middlesex, divers messuages with gardens in the tenure of *Robert Harvie*, lying together in the parish of St. Sepulchres without Newgate, London; and 2 messuages lying near the Church grene in Dunstable in co. Bedford.

So seised the said *Peter Baker* made his will 18 August, 33 Eliz. [1591] whereby he bequeathed as follows: I give my 2 messuages with gardens in Coleman street in the parish of St. Stephens, now or late in the tenures of *Thomas Madox* and *Thomas Sadd* to *Elizabeth Lloyd* my daughter and her heirs for ever; I give after the decease of the longest liver of me and *Elizabeth* my wife, the reversion and inheritance of all my said lands, tenements, yards and gardens now or late called the Swane near Moregate in the parish of St. Stephens in Coleman street to the said *Elizabeth Lloyd* my daughter and her heirs for ever, on condition that neither she nor *David Lloyd* her husband claim any more of my goods and chattels; but if they make such claim, the said demise shall be void and the said premises shall go to the said *Elizabeth* my wife and her heirs for ever.

Immediately after the death of the said *Elizabeth* my wife my said 2 tenements in Hosier lane, *alias* Bowe lane, and the reversions, rents and profits thereof shall revert to *Judith Bennett* my daughter and her heirs for ever.

I give to the said *Elizabeth* my wife and her heirs for ever my 2 messuages with their yards and gardens lying in the ward of Portsoken in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldgate, now in the several tenures of *Peter Lopo*, one of the Queen's musicians, and *Margaret Silvester*, widow of *William Silvester*, carpenter, deceased.

I also give to the said *Elizabeth* for her life my 4 tenements lying in Pintottes *alias* Penticotes Lane near St. Nicholas Flesh-shambles [in the parish of] Christ's Church in London, now in the several tenures of *William Bickerton*, yeoman, *Mighell Watson*, poulter, *Nicholas Baylie*, yeoman, and *John Godfrey*, also my 2 messuages and 3 shops set in Bisshopsgate street in the parish of St. Ethelborowe in London, now or late in the several tenures of *Benedict Barwick*, ironmonger, *William Norton*, virginalmaker, and *John Norton*, butcher, and my tenement with a yard and garden called the Cocke lying at London Wall in the parish of Alhollowes in the Wall . . . merchant tailor by indenture dated 22 March, 3 Eliz. [1561] for the term of 80 years for certain several yearly rents . . . my said 4 tenements and gardens at or near Cow Crosse in the parish of St. Sepulchre without Newgate, by me leased to the said *Robert Harvy* . . . my message with garden set in the parish of St. Clements Danes without the Barres . . . late in the occupation of *Tyball Duhamell*, combmaker, and now in the occupation of *James Warre*, and all those my tenements lying near [the Church green in Dunstable] in co. Bedford.

I will that after my decease and that of my said wife my said 2 tenements and 3 shops . . . my said messuage called ye Cocke at London Wall, my said 4 tenements with gardens at Cowcrosse and my said messuage . . . Danes shall wholly remain to my right heirs for ever, charged as before.

I give . . . of me and the said *Elizabeth* to the Mayor, commonalty and citizens of London, Masters and Governors of the house of the poor, commonly called Christ's Hospital . . . all those my said 4 tenements lying in Penticotes Lane for the use . . . children and other poor people in the same Hospital for ever, on condition that the said . . . of the said Hospital do yearly after the said tenements shall come to them pay yearly to my right heirs . . . the reversion and inheritance of my said tenements near Cowcross 26s. 8d. at such days and times as are mentioned in the will of *Ambrose Crowlyer*, late of St. John's street in co. Middlesex, deceased . . . 19 Eliz. and during all the years then to come of the term of 40 years mentioned in the said will for discharge of the like sum . . . to be paid out of the rents and profits of my said tenements and gardens at Cowcross to certain poor persons therein mentioned. And as for my said messuages . . . Dunstable aforesaid, I devise the reversion of them to my cousin *William Knyght* (?) . . . and his heirs for ever.

The said *Elizabeth* wife of the said *Peter Baker*, being seised of the said premises by virtue of the said will of the said Peter, made her will

on the 19th day of July, 36 Eliz. [1594], and thereby bequeathed as follows: As to my 2 tenements lying in the ward of Portsoken in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldgate I give one of them to *Elizabeth Bennett* daughter of *Judith Bennett*, my late daughter deceased, and to her heirs for ever, and the other of them to *Judith Bennett*, another of the daughters of my said dau. *Judith*, and her heirs for ever.

The said 2 messuages in Hosyer *alias* Bow Lane are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage . . . and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d. The messuage (now used for 2 messuages) in the parish of St. Stephen in Colemanstreet is held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 13s. 4d. The divers messuages called the Black Swanne lying in or near London Wall are held in free burgage, and are well worth per ann., clear, 30s. The messuage called the Cock situate near . . . Wall is held of the Queen in free socage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, . . . The messuage and shops in Bishopsgate street in the parish of St. Ethelborough are held of the Queen in free socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The messuages in Houndsditch in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldgate are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, 6s. 8d. The messuages in the tenure of *Peter Lopo* situate in the parish of St. Botolph are held in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The tenements in Penthecost Lane are held in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, . . . The messuage in the parish of St. Clement Danes is held of the Queen as of her manor of . . . Kenwell in . . . and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 20s. The messuages in the parish of St. Sepulchre are held of the Queen in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d. The 2 messuages in the Church Grene in Dunstable in co. Bedford are held of the Queen in free socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s.

Peter Baker died . . . May, 34 Eliz. [1592]; *Elizabeth Flud* wife of *David Flud*, citizen and cordwainer of London, daughter of the said *Peter*, and *Elizabeth Bennett*, *Judith Bennett*, *Mary Bennett*, . . . and *Sara Bennett*, daughters and heirs of *Judith Bennett*, deceased, another daughter of the said *Peter* are his next heirs; the said *Elizabeth Flud* was then aged . . . years and more, the said *Elizabeth Bennett* 10 years and more; the said *Judith Bennett*, the daughter of the said *Judith*, 7 years and more, the said *Mary Bennett* . . . years and more, the said . . . 4 years and more, and the said *Sara Bennett* 2 years and more.

The said *Elizabeth* wife of the said *Peter Baker* died 22 July, 36 Eliz. [1594].

The said *Elizabeth* and *Judith* daughters of the said *Judith Bennett* still survive.

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[This Inquisition is quite illegible in places and unfortunately there is no duplicate.]

Wolstan Dixie, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 12 November, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *John Spencer*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Wolstan Dixie*, late of the City of London, knight, by the oath of *Thomas Sawell*, . . . *Crouche*, *James Robynson*, *John Jennynges*, *Robert Durham*, *Robert Saunders*, *Richard Rogers*, *Andrew Feild*, *Robert Lee*, *Nicholas Maddockes*, *Richard Mylles*, *Michael Crouche* and *Edward Katcher*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Wolstan Dixie*, viz., on the 22 day of January, 2 and 3 Philip and Mary [1556], a certain *John Owyn* of Wotton, co. Surrey, esq., was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor of Southwyck and of divers other lands, tenements and hereditaments lying in the parishes, vills or hamlets of Northbradley, Trowbridge, Kevyll, Roode and Tyllesford in co. Wilts, and so seised, by charter of feoffment dated the said day and year enfeoffed thereof a certain *Christopher Baylye*: to hold to him and his heirs for ever, paying therefor yearly an annuity or yearly rent of £42, to be paid at Lady Day and Michaelmas.

So seised, the said *John* died at the said manor of Southwyck, after whose death the said annuity descended to *Henry Owyn* as son and heir of the said *John*, by virtue whereof the said *Henry* was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee.

Afterwards, viz., on the 2nd day of February, 15 Eliz., the said *Henry* being so seised, by indenture made between himself of the 1 part and the said *Wolstan Dixie* of the other part, granted to the said *Wolstan* and his heirs the said annuity of £42 to the use of the said *Wolstan* and his heirs for ever, by virtue whereof he was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee.

Long before the death of the said *Wolstan Dixie* a certain *Samuel Backhowse*, gent., was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage or mansion house situate in the parish of St. Michael Bassie Shaw, late in the tenure of *John Spencer*, citizen and alderman of London, and of 5 messuages in the said parish formerly in the several tenures

of . . .¹ *Willett, George Swann, Thomas Marten* and *Margaret* his wife and *John Harlowe*, and divers shops, cellars and easements.

So seised, the said *Samuel* on the 8th . . . 26 Eliz., by indenture of even date made between himself of the 1 part and the said *Wolstan Dixie* and *Dame Agnes* his wife of the other part for a certain sum of money sold the said messuages, lands, &c., to the said *Wolstan* and *Agnes* and the heirs of the said *Wolstan* for ever, by virtue whereof they were thereof seised, to wit, the said *Wolstan* in his demesne as of fee, and the said *Agnes* in her demesne as of free tenement, for the term of her life.

Long before the death of the said *Wolstan, Henry Earl of Huntingdon* was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor of *Bosworth alias* *Markett Bosworth* in co. *Leicester*, the advowson of the Church of *Bosworth* and view of frank pledge of the said manor situate in . . . *Carleton, Usbaston, Gylmerton* and *Northkylworth* in the said county; and so seised, by indenture dated 10 May, 31 Eliz. [1589], made between himself and *Francis Hastings, esq.*, and *Matilda* his wife of the 1 part and the said *Wolstan Dixie* and *Dame Agnes* his wife, sold the said premises to the said *Wolstan* and *Dame Agnes* and the heirs of the said *Wolstan* for ever.

The said *Wolstan* and *Dame Agnes* were seised to them and the heirs of the said *Wolstan* of the gift and grant of *Andrew Brigges* and other persons of 8 a. of land and pasture lying in *Yelling alias* *Sellyng* in co. *Middlesex*.

The said *Wolstan* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages lying in *Chepeside* in the parish of *St. Mary le Bowe* within the said City, called the *Cowface*, now or late in the tenure of *Henry Page* and *Edward Ryve*; also of 10 messuages being in the parish of *St. Margaret* in *Lothburye* within the said City, now or late in the several tenures of *Michael Warner, Thomas Turnor, Nicholas Coxe, Nathaniel Wythers, John Devons, . . . Carpenter, . . . John Defrancovill, William Sherlocke* and *Leonard Henchpoole*.

Also in his demesne as of fee of all that tenement lying in *Thames Streete* in the parish of *St. Laurence Pountney*, late in the tenure of *Marmaduke Servant*, formerly parcel of the lands of a chantry founded in the church of *St. Peter* in *West Chepe*, and all the houses, halls, shops, waste lands, &c., thereto belonging, granted to a certain *Thomas Burte* by Letters Patent dated 26 January, 19 Eliz., for the term of 40 years for the yearly rent of 50s., also the reversion of the said tenement, as fully as the said Queen by Letters Patent dated 16 May next before

¹ Torn away.

the date of a certain indenture whereby the said premises were given to *John Raunte* and *Thomas Hutton* and their heirs: to hold of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service.

Also of 1 messuage called the Redd Lyon and 1 tenement thereto adjacent, lying in the parish of St. Alphage in Little Wood streete, London, late in the tenure of *Thomas Turpyn* and *Anne Ringe*, widow, and now in the tenure of *Gregory Newland*, and all the houses, &c., thereto belonging.

Also of 29 messuages, then or late divided or made into 23 messuages, situate in the parish of St. Gabriel in Fanchurch Street, then or late in the several tenures of *Richard Sturman*, *John Daye*, *John Whitehand*, *Roger Jenkinson*, *Richard Bennett*, *John Cooke*, *Henry Lambertson*, *Thomas Eaton*, *George Allen*, *Robert Sale*, *James Bull*, *Dominic Freman*, *Margaret Feild*, widow, *Thomas Bruerton*, *John Escoe*, *Leonard Browne*, *Margery Wright*, widow, *Isabell Wallace*, widow, *Nicholas Pricklove*, *Thomas Starkey*, *John Hylls*, *Alice Pyper*, widow, *Alice Traherne* and *William Buckley*, and all the houses, buildings, entries, &c., thereto belonging.

The said *Wolstan Dixie* being so seised by an indenture dated 29 June, 34 Eliz. [1592], made between himself by the name of *Wolstan Dixie*, knight, Alderman of London, of the one part, and *Henry Billingsley*, citizen and Alderman of London, *Cornelius Fyshe*, citizen and skinner of London, and *Thomas Lane*, citizen and scrivener of London of the other part, it is witnessed that whereas the said *Sir Wolstan* and *Dame Agnes* his wife are at this present seised of an estate to them and to the heirs of the said *Sir Wolstan*, of and in the manor and lordship of Bosworth *alias* Markett Bosworth in co. Leicester, and the adowson and patronage of the Church of Bosworth, and all the lands, tenements, rents, &c., to the said manor belonging; and all manors, messuages, lands, tenements, rents, &c., in Bosworth, Coton, Carleton, Osbaston, Cadebeye, Gylmerton and Northkylworth or elsewhere in the said county, which late were the inheritance of the . . . Earl of Huntingdon; and whereas also the said *Sir Wolstan* having a natural desire to prefer any child or children of his own body begotten (if it shall please God to bless him with any); and for default of such issue being desirous to establish and continue the inheritance of the said premises in the name and blood of such of them as shall be of his kindred and sanguinity, in form hereafter expressed as a testimony of his zeal and kindness towards them: now therefore this indenture further witnesses that the said *Sir Wolstan* for the considerations above named and also for the love he bears towards *Wolstan Dixie*

son of *John Dixie* of Catworth cousin of the said *Sir Wolstan* and to others of his name and kindred hereafter named, and to the intent that the said premises in case the said *Sir Wolstan* shall die without issue, may be vested and continued in the surname of the *Dixies*, being of the kindred of the said *Sir Wolstan* and in the heirs male of their bodies—promises the said *Henry Billingsley*, *Cornelius Fyshe* and *Thomas Lane*, that he and his heirs and all others who at any time shall be seised of any of the said premises shall stand thereof seised to the use of the said *Sir Wolstan Dixie* and *Dame Agnes* his wife for the term of their lives, without impeachment of waste; and after their decease, to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *Sir Wolstan* lawfully to be begotten; for default, to the use of the said *Wolstan Dixie* son of the said *John Dixie* . . . the second son of *Richard Dixie* of Barnewell and of the heirs male of the body of the same *Wolstan*; and for default, to the use of *Richard Dixie* second son of the said *John Dixie* and of the heirs male of his body; and for default, to the use of *John Dixie* third son of the said *John Dixie* and of the heirs male of his body; and for default, to the use of the said *John Dixie* of Catworth and of the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of *Anthony Dixie* another of the sons of the said *Richard Dixie* of Barnewell and of the heirs male of his body; and for default, then, to the use of the said *Sir Wolstan Dixie* and his heirs for ever, provided always that if any of the above named or their heirs shall bargain or sell or alien or in any way incumber the said premises that then the use and estate of any of them shall cease and be utterly void and of no effect, to all intents and purposes as if the persons so offending had been or were naturally dead without any male issue of their bodies, and yet nevertheless the residue of the said uses to remain to the residue of the said persons before-named not offending. Provided also that if the said *Sir Wolstan* at any time hereafter be resolved or disposed to alter or frustrate all or any of the said uses, estates, or remainders, and shall by his writing or last will declare his resolution in that behalf, that then and from thenceforth all or any of the said uses and estates shall utterly cease and be void, and that then all the said premises shall remain to the use of the said *Sir Wolstan Dixie* and *Dame Agnes* his wife and of the heirs of the said *Sir Wolstan* for ever.

The said *Sir Wolstan* being so seised, made his will as follows [beginning of will not given]: Item I give to the said Mayor, commonalty and citizens of the City of London, governors of the possessions and revenues of the Hospital aforesaid of King Edward the 6th and to their successors for ever, towards the relief of the poor children in Christ's Hospital in London all that my lordship and manor of South-

wicke in co. Wilts which I purchased of *Henry Owyn*, and all other my lands and tenements in Southwycke, North Bradley, Trowbridge, Kevillwood and Tytlesford in the said county: which said manor and premises are of the clear yearly value of £42. As for all other my lands, tenements, &c., in England, as well freehold as copyhold, I make my will concerning them as follows:

Whereas *John Raunte* and *Thomas Hutton* by their deed dated 7 November, 32 Eliz. [1590], have sold to me and my heirs all that their tenement lying in Thames Street in the parish of St. Laurence Pountney in the City of London, then or late in the tenure of *Marmaduke Servante*, sometime parcel of the lands and possessions of a chantry founded in the Church of St. Peter in Westchepe within the said City, and parcel of the lands come to King Edward the 6th by virtue of an act of Parliament in such case provided, and also all the houses, buildings, halls, yards, shops, waste grounds, entries, &c., to the said tenement belonging, to one *Thomas Burte* by Letters Patent dated 26 January, 19 Eliz. [1577], demised for 40 years, for the yearly rent of 50s., as fully as the said Queen Eliz. by Letters Patent dated 16 May, then last past had given the said tenement and all other the premises to the said *John Rante* and *Thomas Hutton* and their heirs: to hold of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service.

And whereas *William Cocking*, *John Harbye* and *Thomas Thomlinson*, citizens and skinnners of London, by deed dated 11 March, 34 Eliz. [1592], have given and confirmed to me and my heirs for ever all that their messuage called the Redd Lyon and 1 tenement thereto adjoining, lying in the parish of St. Alphege in Little Wood street, London, late in the tenure of *Thomas Turpyn* and *Anne Rynge*, widow, and now in the occupation of *Gregory Newland*, and all the houses, edifices, cellars, yards, &c., thereto belonging; and also all those 29 messuages, then divided into 23 messuages, situate in the parish of St. Gabriel in Fanchurch street in the said City, then or late in the several tenures of *Richard Sturman*, &c. [given above], and all the houses, shops, yards, &c., thereto belonging: To hold all the said premises to the sole use of me the said *Sir Wolstan Dixie* and my heirs for ever: Now I by this my will do give to the Master, wardens and commonalty of the mystery of Skinners of London and to their successors for ever all the said premises to their only and proper use.

And concerning all other my manors, messuages, lands, &c., &c., wheresoever and whatsoever, not before by me devised, I give the same to the heirs of my body lawfully to be begotten and for want of such issue, to the said *Wolstan Dixie* son of the said *John Dixie* of Cat-

worth and to the heirs male of his body; for default, then successively in tail male, to the said *Richard Dixie*, *John Dixie*, *John Dixie* of Catworth, my nephew *Anthony Dixie* another of the sons of my brother *Richard Dixie* of Barnewell, and to my right heirs for ever.

The said 2 messuages in Cheapside in the parish of St. Mary le Bowe called the Cowface are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The said 10 messuages in the parish of St. Margaret in Lothbury are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £10. The capital messuage or mansion house late in the tenure of the said *John Spencer* in the said parish of St. Michael Bassishawe is held in free burgage of the City of London, and is worth per ann., clear, £7. The 5 messuages lying in the said parish of St. Michael are held in free burgage of the City of London and are worth per ann., clear, 5 marks. The said annuity of £42 is worth per ann. £42. The manor of Bosworth together with the advowson of the Church of Bosworth and other the premises in Bosworth, Gylmerton, Coton, Carleton, Osbaston, Bradlye, and Northkylworth in co. Leicester are held of the Queen in chief, by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £20. The said 8 a. of land and pasture in Yelling *alias* Selling are held of *Richard Awnsham*, gent., as of his manor of Colehall by fealty, suit at court and the rent of 10d. per ann., and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The tenement in Thames Street in the parish of St. Lawrence Pountney late in the tenure of *Marmaduke Servant* is held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in fee and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service, and is worth per ann., clear, 20s. The messuage called Redd Lyon and the tenement thereto adjoining lying in the parish of St. Alphege in Little Wood street are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The said 29 messuages lying in the parish of St. Gabriel in Fanchurch street are held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £5.

Sir Wolstan Dixie died 8 January last past; *Richard Dixie* of Barnewell in co. Northampton, yeoman, is his brother and next heir, and was then aged 60 years and more.

The said *Dame Agnes Dixie* still survives.

The said Master, wardens and commonalty of the mystery of Skinners, by virtue of the gift to them made by the said will entered into the said premises to them thereby bequeathed and were and still are thereof seised in their demesne as of fee.

William Gyn, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 July, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Richard Martyn*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Gyn*, gent., by the oath of *Thomas Sawell*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Lee*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Edward Pillesworth*, *Robert Durrant*, *John Fenninges*, *Nicholas Maddoxe*, *Richard Milles*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Christopher Dickinson*, *Robert Saunders*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Richard Kirby*, *Christopher Askwith*, *James Tailor* and *William Baynham*, who say that *William Gyn* was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 gardens and 3 tenements newly built in the same gardens, now or late in the several tenures of *John Johnson*, *Edward Wheatley* and . . . *Allison*, lying in Colemanstreat in the parish of St. Stephen, London, abutting upon a certain tenement in Swan Alley towards the north, and upon the alley there leading to the garden called Horsey alley upon the south, upon the garden now or formerly in the tenure of *Christopher Dawbney* on the east, and upon the garden now or formerly in the tenure of *Richard Jackman* on the west.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, . . .

William Gyn died in the said parish of St. Stephen, 11 September, last past, *Richard Gyn*, brother of the said *William* is his next heir, and was then aged 28 years.

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Robert Medley, Goldsmith.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 24 April, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Cuthbert Buckle*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Robert Medley*, goldsmith, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvie*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Ingraham*, *Robert Durrant*, *John Fenninges*, *Robert Saunders*, *Cuthbert Lea*, *Christopher Dickinson*, *Richard Kyrbie*, *Richard Rogers*, *Andrew Feilde*, *James Tailor* and *Richard Milles*, who say that

Robert Medley on the 2nd day of March, 35 Eliz. [1593] was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage; situate in Le oulde chaunge in the parish of St. Vedast *alias* St. "Faister" in the ward of Faringdon in London, and held the same of the Queen in chief by knight's service.

The said *Robert* being so seised, on the said day and year, the Queen by her letters patent granted licence to the said *Robert* to sell

and alienate the said messuage to *Roger Hebbe* and *Elizabeth* his wife : to hold to them and their heirs for ever of the Queen and her heirs by the services therefor due and of right accustomed, by virtue whereof the said *Robert* afterwards, viz. on the 28th May, in the said 35th year, in the said parish and ward, enfeoffed the said *Roger* and *Elizabeth* and their heirs for ever of the said tenement.

Robert Medley died in the said parish of St. Vedast, 10 January, 36 Eliz. [1594], *John Medley* is his son and next heir and was aged 13 years on the 1st day of August last past.

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William Gyn, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 August, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Richard Martyn*, knight, Mayor and escheator by virtue of a writ de "Que plura," after the death of *William Gyn*, gentleman, by the oath of *Thomas Sawell*, *William Harvie*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Edward Pillesworth*, *Robert Durant*, *John Fenninges*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Nicholas Maddoxe*, *Richard Rogers*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Richard Kirbie*, *Henry Beste*, *James Tailor* and *Richard Milles*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *William Gyn* a certain *William Lambe*, gentleman, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 gardens in the parish of St. Stephen in Coleman strete, and so seised, by indenture dated 4 Nov., 8 Eliz. [1566], made between himself of the one part and *George Gyn*, father of the said *William*, of the other part, granted the said 2 gardens, *inter alia*, to the said *George Gyn* and his heirs by the name of the 2 gardens then or late in the several tenures of the said *George Gyn* and *Anselm Beckett*, lying together, abutting upon the tenements in Swan Alley towards the north, and upon the alley leading to the garden there called Horsey Alley towards the south, upon the garden in the tenure of *Christopher Dawbney* towards the east, and upon the garden in the tenure of *Richard Jackman* towards the west, by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *George Gyn* was seised in his demesne as of fee of the said 2 gardens. After his death the same descended to the said *William Gyn* as son and next heir of the said *George*, by virtue whereof he was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee.

There are 2 other tenements and 1 "le Bowling Alley" lately built

upon parcel of the said 2 gardens more than the said 3 tenements mentioned as having been built thereupon in the Inquisition taken here 26 July last past after the death of the said *William Gyn*, and the said *William* was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee, and afterwards by indenture dated 11 September, 35 Eliz. [1593], made between himself by the name of *William Gyn* of the parish of Whitechappell in co. Midd., gent., of the one part, and *William Lee* and *Christopher Arundell*, gent., of the other part, in consideration of the great love which he bore towards *Elizabeth* then his wife and for the support of the said *Elizabeth* and her issue, the said *William Gyn* agreed that he would stand seised of the said 2 gardens in as ample manner as the said *George Gyn* bought them of the said *William Lambe*, to the sole use of the said *William Gyn* and *Elizabeth* his wife and the issue of the said *Elizabeth*; and for default, of the right heirs of the said *William* and *Elizabeth* for ever.

William Gyn died 11 Sept., 35 Eliz. [1593].

Afterwards the said *Elizabeth* married a certain *Thomas Rosewarne*, and on the 12th day of July, 36 Eliz. [1594], by indenture made between themselves of the one part and *Ranulphus Bellyn* of London, gent., one of the gentlemen of "Le Sewers" of the Queen's chamber (unum generosorum de Le Sewers Camere dicte dne rne) and *Anne* his wife of the other part, the said *Thomas* and *Elizabeth* sold to the said *Randulph* and *Anne* all the said premises by the name of all those 5 tenements, 1 garden and 1 le Bowling Alley situate in the said parish of St. Stephen.

The said *Thomas Rosewarne* still survives.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not. The said 2 tenements and le Bowling Alley besides the said 3 tenements are worth per ann., clear, 10s.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 240, No. 37.

Margaret Mullins, Widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 25 January, 1593, before *Cuthbert Buckill*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Margaret Mullins*, late of London, widow, by the oath of *Thomas Sewall*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *Thomas Jennings*, *Thomas Adlin*, *Richard Milles*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Christopher Dickinson*, *Robert Saunders*, *Nicholas Maddoxe*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Richard Kerbie*, *Henry Beste*, *Christopher Askwith* and *James Tailor*, who say that

Margaret Mullins long before her death was seised in her demesne as of fee of 2 messuages, the one now or late in the tenure of *Henry Eire*, and the other in that of *George Ellis*, situate in the parish of St. Katherine Christchurch, London.

So seised, the said *Margaret* made her will 6 May last past as follows [here given in English]:

I give to *Anne Lee* my daughter and to her heirs for ever all that my messuage wherein *Henry Eire* now dwells lying in the parish of St. Katherine Creechurch; and to *Helin Lacock* my daughter and to her heirs for ever my messuage wherein *George Ellis* dwells. I will that my said 2 daughters out of the rents of the said 2 messuages shall pay to *William Davy* my son every year during his natural life 20s., and to *Joan Gasker*, daughter of *Edmond Gasker* 20s. yearly until she accomplish the age of 20 years, and to *Elizabeth Gasker* her sister 20s. yearly until her age of 20 years, and to *Margaret Gasker* their sister 20s. yearly for the like period, and to *Joane Darrill* daughter of *John Darrill* 10s. yearly for the like period, and to *Sara Feaste* daughter of *Jeremy Feaste* 10s. yearly for the like period. As soon as any of the said children attain their respective ages of 20 years, the said payments to them shall cease.

The said 2 messuages are held of the Queen in socage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d.

Margaret Mullins died 23 August last part, *William Davie* is her son and next heir, and was then aged 47 years and more.

The said *Anna Lee* and *Helena Lacock*, took all the rents and profits of the said 2 messuages from the death of the said *Margaret* up to the taking of this inquisition.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 240, No. 53.

William Walker, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 15 April, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Cuthbert Buckle*, Mayor and escheator, *George Wryghtington*, esq., *Leonard Robertson*, esq., and *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City, by virtue of a commission to them directed, to enquire whether *William Walker*, gentleman, is a lunatic or enjoys lucid intervals, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvie*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Ingraham*, *Hugh Lea*, *Robert Durrant*, *John Feninges*, *John Adlyn*, *Stephen Porter*, *Robert Sawnders*, *Cuthbert Lea*, *Christopher Dickinson*, *Clement Bucke*, *Richard Rogers*, *Christopher Askewithe*, *James Tailor*, *Richard Mylles* and *Michael Crowche*, who say that

The said *William Walker* is a lunatic and therefore not fit to govern himself or his manors, messuages, good and chattels, and he has been a lunatic from the 16th day of June last past up to the taking of this inquisition, by the visitation of God.

The said *William Walker* then was and still is seised in his demesne as of fee of the 3rd part of 1 capital messuage lying in the parish of St. Martin Orgar, London, and the 3rd part of 1 messuage lying in a certain street called St. Martin's Lane in the said parish, and the 3rd part of 1 capital messuage situate in the street called Bottolphe Lane next Eastcheape in the parish of St. George the Less in the said City of London, and of the 3rd part of all those messuages, lands, &c., late of *William Slywright* lying in the parish of the Blessed Mary Magdalene in Barmonseý in cos. Surrey and Kent, and all that messuage and 1 orchard and 1 garden thereto adjoining, and 1 orchard late in the occupation of *Richard Holte* lying in Battersey in cō. Surrey.

The said *William Walker* is likewise seised in his demesne as of fee tail, viz., to him and the heirs male of his body, the remainder thereof to a certain *Thomas Walker* and the heirs male of his body, the remainder thereof to *Elizabeth, Cicilia* and *Grace* daughters of *Anthony Walker*, father of the said *William* and *Thomas*, and to their heirs for ever of 1 mansion house or messuage being within the close of St. Bartholomew the Great, London; and 13 messuages lying in the lane called Bylleter Lane in the parish of St. Katherine Christchurch *alias* Chrychurch; and 2 parts (in 3 parts to be divided) of the said capital messuage in the said parish of St. Martin Orgar; and 2 parts (in 3 parts to be divided) of 1 messuage lying in St. Martyns lane in the said parish; and of 2 parts (in 3 parts to be divided) of the said capital messuage in Bottolphe lane next Eastcheape in the parish of St. George the Less; 5 messuages situate in the parish of St. George in the ward of Castell Baynarde, London; and of 2 parts (in 3 parts to be divided) of all the said messuages, lands and tenements late of *William Slywright* lying in the said parish of the Blessed Mary Magdalene in Burmondsey.

Of whom the said mansion house lying within the close of St. Bartholomew the Great and the said 13 messuages in Bylleter lane are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d. The capital messuage in the parish of St. Martin Orgar, the messuage in St. Martin's lane, and the capital messuage in Bottolphe lane are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £4 1s. 8d. The 5 tenements in the said parish of George in the ward of Castle Baynard are held of the Queen in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The premises late of *William Slywright* lying in the said parish of the

Blessed Mary Magdalene in Barmonseý are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee they know not; and are worth per ann., clear, 30s. The capital messuage with an orchard and garden, and the other orchard late in the occupation of *Richard Holte* lying in Battersey are held of the Queen as of her manor of Battersey in socage, by the yearly rent of 7s. 3½d., and are worth per ann., clear, £3.

The said *Thomas Walker*, gent., is the brother and next heir of the said *William* and is now aged 35 years.

The said *William Walker* being in this state of lunacy has not alienated any lands or tenements to the knowledge of the jurors.

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John Baker, citizen and merchant-tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 1 February, 1593, before *Cuthbert Buckle*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Baker*, citizen and merchant-tailor, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Crowche*, *James Robynson*, *John Langley*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Hugh Lee*, *Robert Durant*, *John Jemynges*, *John Dixon*, *Richard Mylles*, *Thomas Wigges*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Robert Saunders*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Stephen Porter*, *Richard Kirby*, *Henry Best*, *Christopher Askwith* and *James Taylor*, who say that

John Baker was seised in his demesne as of fee to him and his heirs of 1 messuage in the parish of St. Laurence in Old Jewry, London, called le sign of the White Bell; 2 messuages in the parish of St. Margaret Moyses in Fridaie street, London; 2 other messuages and 9 cottages in the parish of St. Sepulchre without Newgate, London; and 2 other messuages in the parish of St. Mary, Somerset, London.

The messuage in the said parish of St. Laurence is held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only, in free and common socage, and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The 2 messuages in the said parish of St. Margaret Moyses are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d. The 2 messuages and 9 cottages in the said parish of St. Sepulchre are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The 2 messuages in the parish of St. Mary Somerset are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d.

John Baker died so seised 20 June, 34 Eliz. [1592]. All the said premises descended to *William Baker* as son and heir of the said *John*: the said *William* at the time of the death of the said *John* his father was aged 38 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 240, No. 61.

William Horne, Citizen and Grocer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 16 August, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Richard Martynn*, knight, Mayor and excheator, after the death of *William Horne*, citizen and grocer of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sawell*, *William Harvie*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Edward Pillesworth*, *Robert Durant*, *John Jennings*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Nicholas Maddoxe*, *Richard Rogers*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Richard Kirbie*, *Henry Beste*, *James Tailor*, and *Richard Milles*, who say that

William Horne long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of divers messuages, tenements, stables and other hereditaments lying within a certain place called le Wrestlers in the parish of St. Ethelburgh in Bishoppesgate street, London, which the said *William* purchased to him and his heirs of *Matthew Piggott*; of 3 messuages situate in Knight Rider street, London, which the said *William* lately purchased to him and his heirs of *Henry Westerfeild*, late citizen and vintner of London, deceased, of 4 gardens now divided into 5 gardens, and in which are now built 3 tenements and 2 sheds, lying in the parish of St. Bartholomew without Bisshopsgate, London, now or late in the several tenures of *Isabella Horne*, widow, [blank] *Syoll*, widow, *Alice Barneham*, widow, [blank] *Howe* and [blank] *Couradus*: which the said *William Horne* lately purchased to him and his heirs of *William Abraham*, late citizen and vintner of London; 1 messuage being in Lumbard street in the parish of All Saints the Less within the City of London, now or late in the tenure of *William Albert*; and 1 other messuage situate in Gracious street, London, now or late in the tenure of *John Fynche*.

So seised, the said *William Horne* made his will as follows:

I will that *Isabell* my wife shall have and enjoy during her natural life all those my messuages, tenements, stables, hay-lofts and yards set within the Wrestlers in the parish of St. Ethelburge in Bishoppesgate street, London, which I bought of *Matthew Pigott*, on condition that she pay half yearly before hand to the Churchwardens of the parish of Writtle in co. Essex 53s. 4d., to be laid out by them in

wheaten bread, and every week on the Sunday 2s. to be given to 24 of the "porest impotent and neediest persons" of the parish of Writtle, every one a penny wheaten loaf, and the rest of the money after the poor are so "answered and paied," to be given to the said Churchwardens for their pains therein to be taken; also my messuages in Knight Rider street which I late purchased of *Henry Westerfeild*; also all those my houses, tenements and gardens in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, which I purchased of *William Abraham*.

I give to *Margaret Albert* my daughter, wife of *William Albert*, citizen and draper of London, my messuage wherein they now dwell being in Lumbard street, London, to hold to the said *Margaret* and the heirs of her body for ever; for default of such heirs I give the said messuage to my daughter *Mary Dickenson* and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, I give the same to my daughter *Alice Spratt* and the heirs of her body for ever; and for default, to the next and right heirs of me the said *William Horne* for ever.

I give to *Mary* my daughter my messuage now in the tenure of *John Finche*, carpenter, lying in Gracious street, London: to hold to her and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, to the heirs of the body of my daughter *Margaret* for ever; for default, to my daughter *Alice* and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, to my right and next heirs for ever.

I give to my said daughter *Alice* after the death of *Isabell* now my wife my said messuages and gardens which I bought of the said *William Abraham*: to her and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, to my daughter *Margaret* and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, to my daughter *Mary* and the heirs of her body for ever; and for default, then to my right and next heirs for ever.

I give to my son *Thomas Horne* and the heirs of his body for ever after the death of *Isabel* my wife, all those my messuages, stables, hay-lofts and yards which I bought of the said *Matthewe Pigott*; for default, to my daughter *Margaret* and the heirs of her body for ever; for default to my daughter *Mary* and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, to my daughter *Alice* and the heirs of her body for ever; and for default, then to my right and next heirs for ever: on like condition as the said premises are given to the said *Isabell* my wife.

I give after the death of my said wife my messuages in Knight Rider street to my daughter *Mary* and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, to my dau. *Alice* and the heirs of her body for ever; for default, then to my dau. *Margaret* and the heirs of her body for ever; and for default, then to my right and next heirs for ever, as by the said will, dated 1 July, 1591, more fully appears.

The premises in the said parish of St. Ethelburg in Bishoppesgate are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £4. The said 3 messuages in Knight Rider street are held in free burgage of the said City, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The gardens, tenements and sheds in the said parish of St. Botolph without Bishoppesgate are held in free burgage of the said City, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The messuage in Lumbard street is held in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage in Gracious street, London, is held in free burgage of the said City, and is worth per ann., clear, 50s.

The said *William Horne* died 4 May, 1592, *Thomas Horne* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 30 years and more.

The said *Isabella* relict of the said *William Horne* still survives.

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Robert Wythens, citizen and vintner.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 13 December, 1593, before *Cuthbert Buckill*, Mayor and escheator of the City of London, after the death of *Robert Wythens*, late citizen and vintner of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sewall*, *William Harvie*, *William Crouche*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Ley*, *John Langley*, *John Adlinge*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Christopher Dickingstone*, *Richard Milles*, *Robert Durrant*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feild*, *Stephen Porter*, *James Tailor* and *Richard Rogers*, who say that

Robert Wythens was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that messuage lying on the south part of the Royal Exchange (*regalis campionis*) of London, formerly in the tenure of *James Crowcheley*, citizen and girdler of London, and now in that of *William Hamonde*, citizen and vintner of London, also of all that messuage lying on the south part of the said Royal Exchange formerly in the tenure of *Thomas Bilton*, late in that of *Thomas Burdit* and now in that of *William Clerck*, haberdasher, next adjoining the steps at the south gate leading into "le Pawne" of the said Royal Exchange, and abutting upon the house formerly in the occupation of *Humphrey Huberdasher*, and now in that of *William Chapman* in the east part and upon the said steps ascending into "le Pawlne" of the said Royal Exchange on the west part and upon the high way there called Cornehill on the south part and upon the said Royal Exchange on the north part; and all the cellars, "lez vaultes," sollars, entries, "lez romes," yards, windows,

lights, &c., and to the said 2 messuages belonging, which said 2 messuages are situate in the parish of St. Michael in Cornhill within the City of London: also all that messuage called le Maydenhed *alias* le Maydenhed alley situate in the street near Thamesstreet in the parish of St. Martin Orgar within the said City formerly in the tenure of *John Johnson alias Jenkins*, and all the messuages, houses, buildings, shops, cottages, cellars, warehouses, lofts, kitchens, gardens, lands, &c., to the said messuage belonging, lying in the said parish of St. Martin Orgar, now or late in the several tenures of *Richard Ellis, Thomas Turner, John Ellis, John Flap, George Buck, George Lawson, Andrew Hillary, John Pulliver, Edward Richardson, William Hake, Elizabeth Hillar* and *Andrew Dancaster*, and formerly in the possession and seisin of *Thomas White*, knight, deceased, late citizen and Alderman of London, and founder of the College of St. John the Baptist in the University of Oxford; also of all those 3 messuages lying together in Gracious street in the parish of St. Benedict, Gracechurch, London, between the messuage there now or formerly belonging to the Society of the Clothworkers, and now or sometime in the occupation of *Thomas Goodron*, shoemaker, on the north part, and the messuage there now or formerly belonging to the Bridgehowse and now in the occupation of *Robert Offeley*, haberdasher, on the south part, and abutting towards the west in part upon the large messuage now or formerly of the Society of the Merchants Strangers called "le Cavalcantes," in part upon the large tenement in the lane called St. Clements Lane, formerly in the tenure of *Joan Sutton*, widow: which said 3 messuages now are or late were in the several tenures of *George Middleton*, salter, *John Chambers*, bowyer, and *William Drowte*, brownebaker; also of all the houses, buildings, lights, soil and ground, water courses, gutters, sewers, cellars, warehouses, ways, entries, &c., &c.

So seised, the said *Robert Wythens* made his will as follows: I give all my messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments to my son *William Wythens* and the heirs of his body for ever; for default of such heirs, the same to remain to my son *Francis Wythens* and the heirs of his body for ever; for default, to my son *Thomas Wythens* and the heirs of his body for ever; and for default, the same to remain to my right heirs for ever, as by the said will dated 25 September last past more fully appears.

The 2 messuages in the said parish of St. Michael in Cornhill are held of the Queen in free burgage as the whole City of London is held, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The messuage called le Maidenhed *alias* Maydenhed alley and other the premises in the said parish of St. Martin Orgar are held of the Queen in free socage by

fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The messuages and other the premises in the said parish of St. Benedict Gracechurch, London, are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £5.

Robert Wythens died the 9th day of October last past; *William Wythens* is his eldest son and next heir, and was then aged 26 years and more.

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John Ritche.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 5 September, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Richard Martyn*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Ritche* of Deptforde *alias* West Grenewiche in co. Kent, esq., by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvy*, *William Croche*, *James Robinson*, *Edward Osborne*, *Edward Pilsworth*, *Robert Durham*, *Clement Buck*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Robert Saunders*, *Richard Milles*, *Richard Kerbye*, *Henry Best*, *James Taylor*, *Edward Catcher* and *Michael Crowche*, who say that

John Ritche was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages lying within the parish of the Blessed Mary of Wolchurch, London, now in the occupation of *John Stokley*, citizen and grocer of London; 1 messuage situate within the parish of St. Bartholomew the Less, London, near le Royall Exchaunge, now in the tenure of *James Colymer*, citizen and haberdasher of London; 1 messuage lying in the parish of St. Margaret in Lothberrie, London, now in the tenure of *Thomas Middleton*, grocer; about 30 a. of land lying in the parish of Lewsham in co. Kent; 5 messuages, 1 water-mill, and 50 a. of land in the parish of Upper Deptford *alias* West Grenewiche in the said county; 1 yearly rent charge of £20 issuing out of the manor of Eastmalling; and divers other lands or tenements in Eastmalling, Westmalling, Dytton, and D . . . ng in the said county.

So seised, the said *John Ritche* made his will 23 January, 35 Eliz. [1593] as follows: I give all my messuages, houses, lands, gardens, rents, &c., which I have in the City of London and the suburbs thereof, and all other my messuages, lands, tenements, mills, pastures, meadows, feedings, rivers, ponds, &c. &c., which I have as well in Deptford *alias* West Greenwich and in the parish of Deptford and in the parish of Lewysham in co. Kent as elsewhere within this realm of England and the dominions thereof to my daughter *Judith* now the wife of *Henry Becker*, esq., and her heirs for ever, without any manner of condition.

The 2 messuages lying within the parish of the Blessed Mary of Wolchurch are held of the Queen by fealty only in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The messuage situate within the parish of St. Bartholomew the Less is held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 10s. The messuage in the parish of St. Margaret in Lothburrye is held in free burgage according to the custom of the City of London, and is worth per ann., clear, 10s. The 30 a. of land lying in the parish of Lewisham are held of the Queen as of her manor of Lewisham by fealty only and not in chief and are worth per ann., clear, 13s. 4d. The 5 tenements and 1 water mill and 50 a. of land in Upper Deptford *alias* West Grenewich are held of the Queen as of her manor of Deptford by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s.

John Ritch died 7 September last past; *William Ritch* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 40 years and more.

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Henry Sutton, Citizen and Goldsmith.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 13 December, 36 Eliz. [1593], before *Cuthbert Buckle*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Henry Sutton*, late citizen and goldsmith of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvie*, *William Crouche*, *Edward Osbourne*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Ley*, *John Langley*, *John Allen*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Christopher Dickinson*, *Richard Milles*, *Robert Durrant*, *Cuthbert Ley*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Stephen Porter*, *James Tailor* and *Richard Rogers*, who say that

Henry Sutton was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called by the sign of the "Dogge and the Beare" situate in Norton Folgate in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, London, in co. Middlesex, late in the tenure of *Noster (Nostri) Barnard*; 1 other messuage there called by the sign of the "Bores Heade," late in the tenure of *John Kirkland*; 1 other messuage there called by the sign of the Barber Surgion; 1 other messuage there called the Brewers Armes; 1 other messuage there called the Fawcon; 4 other messuages with orchards, gardens and yards to the same severally belonging, lying in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, now or late in the several tenures of *John Godgame*, *William Dunne* and *John Godman*; 1 other messuage lying in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft, in the City of London, commonly called by the sign of the Pewter Pott, now or late

in the tenure of *Henry Lodge*; 1 other tenement in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, London, now or late in the tenure of *Anne Wood*, widow, 1 other messuage in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft, now or late in the tenure of *Margery Sutton*, widow, formerly the wife of *Isaac Sutton*, deceased; 1 other messuage in the said parish, now or late in the occupation of *William Close*; and 1 other messuage in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, now or late in the tenure of *Reginald Buss*.

So seised, the said *Henry Sutton* made his will 6 September, 34 Eliz. [1592], and thereby bequeathed as follows [here given in English]:

First I give to *Nicholas Sutton* my eldest son and heir apparent all that my messuage called the sign of the "Dogge and the Beare" lying in Norton Folgate in co. Midd., now or late in the tenure of *Noster Barnard*; my messuage there called the "Bores head," in the occupation of *John Kirkland*; my messuage there called the sign of the Barber surgion; my messuage there called the Brewers Arms; my tenement called the Fawcon; my several messuages, gardens, orchards and back-sides in the City of London and the suburbs thereof or within the liberties thereof now or late in the several tenures of *John Goodgame*, *William Dunne*, *John Goodman* and *John Wood*, and all edifices, buildings, yards, orchards, lands, &c., to the said messuages belonging: To hold to the said *Nicholas* during his natural life, the remainder thereof after his decease to *Johan Lee* my daughter, wife of *Robert Lee*, citizen and merchant tailor of London for her natural life; the remainder thereof after her decease to *Henry Lee*, son of the said *Robert* and *Johan*, and to the heirs of his body; for default, to *Robert Lee*, younger brother of the said *Henry Lee*, and to the heirs of his body; for default, to *John Lee*, another brother of the said *Henry*, and to the heirs of his body; for default, to *Hugh Lee*, another brother of the said *Henry*, and to the heirs of his body; for default, to the heirs of the said *John Lee*; and for default, to my right heirs and their heirs for ever.

I give to *Elizabeth* my wife my messuage called the sign of the Pewter Pott, situate in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft, in the tenure of *Henry Lodge*, also my tenement in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, in the occupation of *Anne Wood*, widow, late the wife of *Roger Wood*, deceased; also my messuage in the tenure of *Margery Sutton*, widow, in the said parish of St. Andrews Undershaft; also my messuage in the said parish late in the occupation of *William Crosse*; and my tenement in the said parish of St. Botolph in the tenure of *Reynould Buss*, with all the buildings, gardens, orchards, &c., thereto belonging: To hold to the said *Elizabeth* for her natural life, if she so long remain unmarried; after her decease, the remainder thereor

to the said *Henry Lee* and to the heirs of his body; for default, to *Robert Lee* younger brother of the said *Henry* and to the heirs of his body; for default, to the said *John Lee* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the said *Hugh Lee* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the heirs of the body of the said *Johan Lee* my daughter; and for default, the remainder thereof to my right heirs for ever.

All the said premises in Norton Folgate in the said parish of St. Botolph are held of the Queen by fealty only in free and common socage, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. All the messuages, &c., in the said parish of St. Andrew Undershaft, London, are held of the Queen in free burgage, to wit, by fealty only, and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Henry Sutton died 9 December, 35 Eliz. [1592]; the said *Nicholas* is his son and heir and was then aged 52 years.

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William Dodworthe, citizen and merchant-tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 1 February, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Cuthbert Buckle*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Dodworthe*, citizen and merchant-tailor of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *John Langley*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Hugh Lee*, *Robert Durant*, *John Jennings*, *John Dixon*, *Richard Milles*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Robert Saunders*, *Andrew Feild*, *Richard Kerbie*, *Henry Best*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Christopher Aswith*, and *James . . .*, who say that

William Dodworth long before his death was seised in all those messuages now or late in the several tenures of . . . *Marbeck*, *Griffin Joanes*, *Simon Stafford*, *Lancelot Clincarte*, *Adam Wharf* and *Margaret Dodworthe*, situate in the parish of St. Giles without Creplegate, London; all those 4 messuages lying in the parish of St. Martin Orgar in the City of London, in the south part of the lane called St. Martin's lane near Thamestreete, now or late in the occupation *Robert Thurlowe*, *John Peryn* and *Richard Butler*; also all those 2 tenements lying together, formerly called 7 tenements situate in the parish of St. John in Walbrook, now or late in the tenures of *Edward Lilly*, *Robert Pigeon*, and *George Nixon*.

So seised, the said *William Dodworth* made his will 23 June last past as follows [here given in English]: Whereas I am seised of an estate of inheritance in fee simple of certain messuages lying in the parish of St. Giles without Creplegate which I lately purchased of *Richard*

Theckestone and *Henry Best* : I hereby give the same to *Margaret Dodworth* my wife during her natural life ; and after her death, the remainder thereof to *Margaret Dodworth* my daughter and to the heirs of her body ; for default, to the heirs of my body ; for default, to the heirs of the body of the said *Margaret* my wife ; and for default, I give the said messuages as follows : viz., so many as are within the alley called Ship Alley to *Richard Morehowse*, my late servant, and to the heirs of his body ; and for default, the remainder thereof to my right heirs for ever : and those 2 of the said messuages which are in the "streete side," I give to *William Boroughes* son of *Ralph Boroughes*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, and to *William Latham*, son of *Richard Latham*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, and to the several heirs of their bodies ; and for default, to my right heirs for ever.

And whereas I am also seised in like manner of 4 messuages in the parish of St. Marten Orgar, in the south part of the lane there called St. Marten's Lane near Thamestreate which I lately bought of *Roger Rante* and *Peter Whetcombe*, and likewise have a "meane" estate for years of the said 4 messuages derived out of a demise for years thereof, which is not "drowned extincte nor determynd" in my said estate of inheritance in the said premises : I now give those 2 of the said messuages which are next to Thames street to the said *Margaret* my wife during her natural life ; and after her death the remainder there to the said *Margaret Dodworth* my daughter and to the heirs of her body ; for default, to the heirs of my body ; for default, to *Mark Morehowse* my late servant and to the heirs of his body ; for default, to *William Latham* son of *Richard Latham*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, and to the heirs of his body ; for default, to *Thomas Lathom* another of the sons of the said *Richard* and to the heirs of his body ; and for default, the remainder thereof to my right heirs for ever.

And I give the other 2 of the said 4 messuages to the said *Margaret* my wife during her natural life ; and after her death, the remainder thereof to the said *Margaret* my daughter and to the heirs of her body ; for default, to the heirs of my body ; for default, to the said *William Latham* son of the said *Richard* and to the heirs of his body ; and for default, to the said *Thomas Latham* brother of the said *William* and to his heirs ; and for default, the remainder thereof to my right heirs for ever.

Whereas I am likewise seised of 2 messuages "adjoyninge together," sometime called 7 tenements, lying in the parish of St. John in Walbrook, and likewise have a "meane" estate for years in the same : I now devise that one of the said 2 messuages which now is in the occupation of *Robert Piggyn* and *George Nixson* and is the "westermoste" of

the said 2 tenements to the said *Margaret* my wife and the heirs of her body; for default, to the heirs of my body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever. And I give the other messuage, now in the occupation of *Richard Morehous* and *Edward Lylly*, the “estermoste” of the said 2 tenements, to the said *Margaret Dodworth* my daughter and to the heirs of her body; for default, the remainder thereof to the heirs of my body; for default, to the said *Margaret* my wife and to the heirs of her body; for default, to the said *Richard Morehous* and *Mark Morehous* and to the several heirs of their bodies; for default, to the said *William Boroughes* son of the said *Raphe Boroughes* and to the heirs of his body; for default, to the heirs of the body of the said *Raphe Boroughes*; and for default, the remainder thereof to my right heirs for ever.

The messuages in the parish of St. Giles without Creplegate are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent, by fealty only in free and common socage, and not in chief or by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The tenements in the parish of St. Martin Orgar are held of the Queen as of her said manor of East Greenwich by fealty only, in free and common socage and not in chief or by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d. The messuages in the parish of St. John in Walbrook are held of the Queen as of her said manor by fealty only, in free and common socage, and not in chief or by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, 54s.

William Dodworthe died 5 September last past leaving *Margaret* his only daughter and sole heir, who was then aged 5 years, 6 weeks and 6 days.

The said *Margaret* late the wife of the said *William* still survives.

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Rowland Hayward, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 21 February, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Cuthbert Buckle*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Rowland Hayward*, late citizen and Alderman of London, by the oath of *Thomas Saywel*, *William Harvy*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *Robert Durrante*, *John Jennynges*, *John Dyxon*, *Richard Rogers*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Christopher Dickin* . . ., *Richard Mylles*, *Andrew Feild*, *Richard Kyrby*, *Henry Beste*, *James Taylor*, and *Michael Crouche*, who say that

Rowland Hayward, knight, was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor, mansion house and capital messuage called *Kynges place*

lying in Hackney in co. Midd., late in the tenure of the said *Sir Rowland*, and all the houses, orchards, gardens, woods, &c., thereto belonging ; and divers lands and tenements in Hackney.

So seised, the said *Sir Rowland* by indenture dated 18 September, 35 Eliz. [1593], made between himself of the one part and *Anthony Ratcliffe* and *Nicholas Mosseley*, Alderman of the City of London, *Richard Warren* of London, esq., *Alexander Kynge* of London, esq., *Edward Pillesworthe*, citizen and clothworker of London, and *William Cotton*, citizen and draper of London, of the other part, conveyed the said manor, lands, &c., and the reversion thereof to the said *Anthony Ratcliffe* and others to the sole and proper use of them and their heirs for ever, upon trust nevertheless that they shall suffer the said *Sir Rowland Hayward* during his natural life to have and hold the said premises and to take the rents thereof, and also that they shall within convenient time after the death of the said *Sir Rowland* convey, bargain and sell the same for the largest amount possible, and employ the money arising from such sale for the performance of the will of the said *Sir Rowland* [indenture here given in English].

The said *Sir Rowland Hayward* was likewise long before his death seised in his demesne as of fee of all that manor or lordship of Conde or Cownde in co. Salop, and the manor or lordship of Cardington, and of all those messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments in Cardington in co. Salop, lately purchased by the said *Rowland Hayward*, knight, of the free and customary tenants of the said manor of Cardington ; and of the farm or manor of Hudwicke in the said county of Salop ; and all that farm and all the lands, tenements and hereditaments called Brierly adjoining Walcam Woode in or near the parish of Stotesdon *alias* Stoterton in the said county ; and all the lands, tenements and hereditaments in the manor or lordship of Stretton in the said county ; also the manor or lordship of Teremeneth *alias* Stretmarcell in co. Montgomery ; and divers lands, &c., in the parish of le Poole, Buttington and Gilfeilde in the said county of Montgomery ; also of that large messuage wherein the said *Sir Rowland* lately dwelt in the parish of St. Alphage or St. Mary Aldermanburie, formerly called Elsing or Isinge spittel ; and all the messuages, houses, gardens, orchards, &c., to the said messuage adjoining and belonging ; and divers messuages, houses, lands, &c., in Phillipp Lane in the said City of London, late parcel of Elsing Spittel, now or late in the tenure of *Dame Katharine Hayward* . . . *Lord Norrys* of Ricot, *Richard Ley*, *Hugh Whitebrooke* and *Richard Langley* ; divers messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments called Garlande Alley, lying without Bishopsgate in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, now or

late in the tenures of *Henry Jackson, John Gares, John Rayner, Joyce Sheres, Edmund Hunt, John Newton, John Hampson, Henry Stacie, Brock (Broci) Whitney, William Carter, Anne Ackerlande, Thomas Thornteton* and *Daniel Bewporte*; divers messuages, lands and tenements lying in or near Milkestrete in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene, London, now or late in the several tenures of *John Lacye, Richard Boothe, Thomas Hide* and *Robert Herne*; all that meadow or pasture lying near Temple Mille in Stratford Langthorne in co. Essex; and divers lands and tenements in the vills, hamlets and parishes of Conde, Cardington, Hudwicke, Burley, Stretton, Teremeneth *alias* Stretmercell, Poole, Gilfeilde, Phillip Lane, St. Botolph, St. Marie Magdalen and Stratford Langthorne.

So seised, the said *Sir Rowland* by indenture dated 5 September, 34 Eliz. [1592], [here given in English,] made between himself of the one part and *Richard Warren, esq., Edward Pillesworthe*, citizen and cloth-worker of London, and *William Cotton*, citizen and draper of London, of the other part, demised all the said premises to said *Richard, Edward, and William*: to hold immediately after the decease of the survivor of the said *Sir Rowland Hayward* and *Dame Katharine* his wife for the term of 12 years, paying therefor yearly 1 red rose at the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist if it be lawfully demanded, upon special confidence nevertheless that the said *Richard Warren* and others shall employ all the rents and profits of the said premises to such persons and uses as the said *Sir Rowland* by his last will shall appoint, provided always that if any heir male of the body of the said *Sir Rowland* shall before the expiration of the said term accomplish the full age of 21 years, or if the said *Sir Rowland* shall any time make void this said indenture, or shall deliver to the said *Richard Warren, Edward Pillesworthe* and *William Cotton* and to any other persons to their use a ring of gold of the value of 5s. or more, that then and from thenceforth this indenture shall be utterly void and of no effect.

The said *Sir Rowland* was long before his death likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor or lordship of Doddington *alias* Ditton *alias* Earles Dytton in the parish of Mortimer Cleoburie or elsewhere in co. Salop; the manor or lordship of Rounde Acton in the parishes of Wenlocke and Rounde Acton; the manor or lordship of Parva Wenlocke in the said county; the manors or lordships of Magna Dawley and Stircheley in the said county; the manor or lordship of Tiberton *alias* Tibrighton in the parish of Tiberton or elsewhere in the said county; the demesne lands and other lands and tenements called Lydlowes Hayes *alias* Lydleyes Hayes in the parish of Cardington in the said county, and now or late in the tenure of *Rowland Whitebroke*;

the manor or lordship of Edgdon in the said county; the manor or lordship of Tugford Burley and Longstaunton in the parishes of Tugford and Staunton in the said county; the manor or lordship of Heathe and Heathe parke, adjoining the manor of Tugford in the parishes of Milborne, Stoke, Tugford and Heathe, and in all that soil, waste or ground and all those houses, lands, and tenements formerly called Jhesus Steeple adjoining or lying near St. Paul's Church in London, now or late in the several tenures of *John Browne*, *Robert Cogon* and *Hugh Fayercloughe*; and all the houses, buildings, orchards, gardens, lands, &c., in Woodstreet and Bountinge Alley parcel of Woodstreete in the parish of St. Alphage, London, now or late in the tenure of *Margaret Selbie*, *John Preston*, *Richard Hawkesford*, *John Gardiner*, *Philip Traherne*, *William Hawe*, *James Dagger*, *Bridget Birham*, *Roger Pepper*, *Thomas Rosamonde*, *William Midleton*, *William Snellinge*, *Margaret Carter*, *Robert Greenenopp*, *Thomas Tomkins*, *Simon Muse*, *John Dowdinge*, *Elizabeth Gisse*, *Henry Ince* and *Margaret Marten*; and all the messuages, granges, houses, lands, &c. &c., to the last recited manors and premises belonging; and divers other lands, tenements and hereditaments in the vills, fields, hamlets and parishes of Dodington, Ditton, Rounde Acton, Wenlocke, Magna Dawley, Stirchley, Tiberton, Lydlowes Hayes, Edgdon, Tugford, Burley, Longe Staunton, Heathe, Heathe Parke, Jhesus Steeple, Woodstreete and Bountinge Alley. So seised, the said *Sir Rowland* by indenture dated 5 Sept., 34 Eliz. [1592], made between himself of the one part and the said *Richard Warren*, *Edward Pillesworthe* and *William Cotton* of the other part granted to the said *Richard*, *Edward* and *William* all the said premises last recited: to hold immediately after the death of the said *Sir Rowland* for the term of 17 years, paying therefor yearly 1 red rose at Midsummer if it be lawfully demanded, on condition that they shall bestow all the rents and profits of the said premises to such persons and uses as the said *Sir Rowland* by his last will shall appoint, provided always that if the said *Sir Rowland* shall at any time determine to frustrate this Indenture and shall tender to the said *Richard Warren*, *Edward Pillesworth* and *William Cotton* a gold ring of the value of 5s. or more, that then this indenture shall be void.

The said *Sir Rowland* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee and right of the advowson of the vicarage or Church of Conde in the said county of Salop, viz., in his demesne as of fee; also of the manor or lordship of Parva Dawley in the said county; and all the tithes growing or renewing in the vills, fields, hamlets and parishes of Dudleston, Northwoode, Trenche, Elleston and Greeneyall in the said county and in co. Flint; and the manor or lordship of Lavenden *alias* Landen

in cos. Bucks and Bedford; the manors or lordships of Bemerton and Quidhampton in co. Wilts, divers other lands, tenements and hereditaments in Parva Dawley, Dudleston, Northwoode, Trenche, Elleston, Greneyall, Lavenden, Bemerton and Quidhampton, also of the reversion of the messuage called Walcainwoode and of all the lands and tenements to the same belonging in co. Salop as of fee and right, depending upon the death of — who holds the same for the term of her life.

So seised, the said *Sir Rowland* by another indenture dated the said 5th day of September in the said 34th year of Eliz., made between himself of the one part, and *Thomas Fanshawe*, esq., the Queen's Remembrancer of the Court of Exchequer and *John Smythe* of Sturrey, in co. Kent, esq., and *John Lacye*, citizen and clothworker of London, of the other part, in consideration of the entire goodwill and affection which he bore towards *Dame Katherine Hayward* his wife and to his children as well of *Dame Johan Hayward*, deceased, sometime his wife as of the said *Dame Katherine* his now wife and for the preferment of his said children and for the more certain order and disposition of the said manors and other the premises—promised and agreed that he and his heirs should stand seised of the manor of Doddington *alias* Dyton in the parish of Mortimer Cleobury in co. Salop, the manor of Conde, the advowson, free disposition and right of patronage of the Church of Conde, the manor of Rounde Acton with a tenement and lands in Brocton in the parishes of Rounde Acton, Wenlock and Brocton in co. Salop, the manors of Little Wenlocke and Little Dawley; the manors of Great Dawley and Stirchley in the parishes of Great Dawley and Strichley in the said county; the manor of Tiberton in the said county, the manor of Cardington in the said county; all the messuages, lands, &c., which the said *Sir Rowland* purchased of the free and copy holders of the said manor of Cardington, the demesne and other lands and tenements called Lydlowes Haies, in the parish of Cardington; all the lands and tenements of the said *Sir Rowland* in the manor of Stretton, the manor of Tugford Burley and Longstaunton in the parish of Tugford; the manor of Heathe and Heathe Parke, adjoining the said manor of Tugford, the manor of Edgdon in co. Salop, the tithes of sheaves, corn, grain and hay and all other the tithes of the said *Sir Rowland* in Dudleston, Northwoode, Trenche, Elleston and Greneyall in cos. Salop and Flint, the farm of Hudwicke, the farm called Walcanwoode in the parish of Stotesdon, the farm and lands called Bryerley in the said parish of Stotesden, the manor of Teremeneth in co. Montgomery, and all other the lands and tenements of the said *Sir Rowland* in the parishes of le Poole . . . in the said county of Montgomery, the manor of Lavenden in cos. Bucks and Bedford, and all other the lands

in the said counties of Bucks and Bedford ; the manors of Bemerton and Quidhampton in co. Wilts and all the lands, &c., in co. Wilts, the great messuage lying in the parishes of St. Alphage and St. Mary in Aldermanbury, called Elsinge spittell, and all the houses, &c., thereto belonging, the messuages, houses, &c., in Phillip Lane and in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishopsgate and in Milk street in the parish of St. Mary Magdalen, the waste ground, soil, houses, lands, &c., called Jhesus Steeple, and the houses, buildings, &c., in Little Woodstreet, the meadow ground or pasture in Stratford Langthorne in co. Essex, and all the messuages, gardens, tenements, woods, waters, fishings, mills, tithes, advowsons, courts leet, views of frank pledge to the said premises belonging to the uses following, *viz.*, as to the said manor of Conde and the advowson and right of patronage of the Church there, the manor of and lands in Cardington, the farm of Hudwicke, the farm called Brierley, the premises in Stretton, the manor of Teremeneth *alias* Stretmercell and all the said lands in co. Montgomery, the great messuage wherein the said *Sir Rowland Hawyard* now dwells called Elsinge Spittell and the houses, &c., thereto belonging, the premises in Phillip Lane sometime parcel of the said Elsing spittle, the messuages, houses, &c., called Garlande Alley, the said premises in the said parish of St. Botolphs and in or near Milke street, the meadow ground near Temple Mill in Stratford Langthorne in co. Essex, and all messuages, lands, &c., to the said premises belonging—to the use of the said *Sir Rowland Hayward* and *Dame Katherine* his wife and the heirs male of the body of the said *Sir Rowland* begotten and to be begotten ; for default, to the use of the heirs female of the body of the said *Sir Rowland* as well by the said *Dame Johan* his late wife as by the said *Dame Katherine* his now wife ; and for default, to the use of his right heirs for ever.

As to the manor of Doddington *alias* Dyton *alias* Earles Dyton, the manors of Rounde Acton, Lytle Wenlocke, Great Dawley, Stircheley and Tiberton, the demesne and other lands called Lydlowes Heyes, the manor of Edgdon, the manor of Tugford Burley and Longstaunton, the manor of Heathe and Heathe Parke, the waste ground, &c., called Jesus Steeple, the houses, orchards, lands, &c., in Little Woodstreet, and the messuages, lands, &c., to the said manors, &c., belonging to the use of the said *Sir Rowland* and the heirs male of his body begotten and to be begotten ; for default, to the use of the heirs female of the body of the said *Sir Rowland* as well by the said *Dame Johan* as the said *Dame Katharine* ; and for default, to the use of his right heirs for ever : which said premises last mentioned the said *Sir Rowland* had assured for divers years yet enduring for payment of his debts and legacies and

the performance of his will. And whereas the Queen ought by the laws of this realm to have after the death of the said *Sir Rowland* for wardship or primer seisin a full 3rd part of all his manors, lands, &c., by these presents conveyed for the preferment of his said wife and children or whereof the fee simple is or shall be left to any of his children or to his right heirs, and so that she may not be prejudiced therein the said *Sir Rowland* hereby limits the said manor of Little Dawley and all the said tithes issuing and happening in the towns, fields, &c., of Dudleston, Northwoode, Trenche, Elleston and Greeneyall, the said manor of Lavenden, the said lands and tenements in cos. Bucks and Bedford, the manor or site of Bemerton and Quidhampton and all other the lands, &c., in co. Wilts, the manor, farm or messuage in Walcam Woode, and all the messuages, lands, &c., to the last recited premises belonging—to remain to the Queen and her heirs and successors for her full 3rd part, provided always and it is agreed between the said parties to these presents and the said *Sir Rowland* grants to the said *Thomas Fanshawe*, *John Smythe* and *John Lacie* that he will be seised immediately after such time as the said title which shall grow to the Queen after the death of the said *Sir Rowland* shall be ended or removed from the Queen by reason of livery sued thereon or any other means of all the said manors, lands, &c., so limited to the Queen to the uses following: viz. as to the manor of Lavenden and the lands in cos. Bucks and Bedford to the use of *John Hayward* second son of the said *Sir Rowland* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *Sir Rowland*; for default, to the use of the heirs female of his body as well by the said *Dame Joan* as by the said *Dame Katharine*; and for default, to the use of his right heirs for ever. As to all other the premises before limited to the Queen, to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *Sir Rowland*; for default, to the use of his heirs female; and for default, to the use of his right heirs for ever.

On the 17th day of November, 1592, the said *Sir Rowland Hayward*, knight, made his will reciting the demises and grants before set out, and giving sums of money to his sons and daughters [particulars and names not given].

Of whom or by what service the manor and mansion house called King's Place are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £13 6s. 8d. The manor of Conde, the advowson of the Church and other the premises there are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service and are worth per ann., clear, £4 12s. 2d.; of whom or by what service the manor of Cardington and other the premises there are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. The

manor or farm of Hudwicke and other the premises there are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The premises called Brierly in or near Stotesden and other the premises there are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service and are worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d. Of whom or by what service the premises in the lordship of Stretton are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 13s. 4d. The manor of Teremeneth *alias* Stretmercell and other the premises in le Poole, Buttington and Gilfeilde are held of [blank] in free socage by fealty and the rent of [blank] and are worth per ann., clear, £20. The large messuage called Elsinge Spettell and all the premises in Philip Lane are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service and are worth per ann., clear, £9. The premises called Garlande Alley are held of the Queen in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, £4. Of whom or by what service the premises in Milkstreet are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 30s. Of whom or by what service the manor of Doddington in the parish of Mortimer Cleobury and other the lands there are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £4 2s. 0d. Of whom or by what service the manor of Rounde Acton and other the premises there are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d. The manor of Parva Wenlocke and other the premises there are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d. Of whom or by what service the manor of Magna Dawley and other the premises there are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £3. Of whom or by what service the manor of Stirchley and other the premises there are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 20s. Of whom the manor of Tiberton and other the premises there are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 50s. Of whom the premises called Lydlowes Hayes are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 50s. Of whom the manor of Edgdon and other the premises there are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £3. The manors of Tugford Burley and Longestaunton and other the premises in Tugford and Staunton are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. Of whom the manor of Heathe and Heathe Parke and other the premises in Milborne, Stoke, Tugford and Heathe are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The waste ground and premises called Jhesus Steeple are held of the Queen in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, 50s. The premises in Wood street and Bountinge Alley are held of the Queen in free burgage and are worth per ann., clear, £9. The manor of Parva Dawley and other the premises there are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service

and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. Of whom or by what service the tithes in Dudleston, Northwood, Trenche, Elleston and Greeneyall are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £7. The manor of Lavenden and other the premises there are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £19. The manor or site of Bemerton and Quidhampton and other the premises there are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £7. The manor or farm called Walcam Wood is held of the Queen as next above, and is worth per ann., clear, 20s.

Sir Rowland Hayward died 5 December last past; *George Hayward* is his son and next heir and is now aged 7 years except 17 days.

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John Russell, knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 6 March, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Cuthbert Buckell*, Mayor and escheator, *Drogo Drury*, knight, and *William Daniell*, esq., and *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City, by virtue of a commission to them and to *John Luson*, knight, and *Richard Younge*, esq., directed after the death of *John Russell*, knight, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Hardye*, *William Crowche*, *James Robenson*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Durrant*, *Thomas Wigge*, *Robert Saunders*, *Richard Milles*, *Christopher Dickenson*, *Clement Buck*, *Richard Rogers*, *Andrew Feelde*, *Richard Kirbye*, *James Taylor*, *Cuthbert Lee*, and *Michael Crowche*, who say that

John Russell, knight, was seised in his demesne as of fee tail, to wit, to him and the heirs of his body of the manor of Hall in co. Worcester, and 20 messuages, 10 tofts, 1 water mill, 20 orchards, 20 gardens, 500 a. of land, 150 a. of meadow, 300 a. of pasture, 20 a. of wood, 100 a. of furze and heath, and £4 rent in Hanley Castell, Upton on Severne, and Welland in the said county; also of the moiety of divers lands, tenements and hereditaments lying in Wallworthe within the parish of Newington or elsewhere in co. Surrey: the moiety of 1 tenement or farm lying at Shutt up Hill within the parish of Hamsted in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Northe*; the moieties of the manors of Esthame Burnells, Westhame Burnells, Eastwest Hame and Plays in co. Essex; the moiety of divers acres of marsh in the said county now or late in the tenure of *Clement Sesley*, esq.; the moiety of 1 messuage or tenement, lying in the parish of St. Martin near Ludgate, London, now or late in the occupation of *Richard Grandiche*, haberdasher; the moiety of 1 messuage situate in the same parish of St.

Martin, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Hodgson*, gent.; the moiety of 1 messuage lying in the parish of St. Martin Orgar next Crooked Lane, in the City of London, now or late in the tenure of *Edmund Burton*; the moiety of 2 messuages being in the parish of St. Peter in Cornhill; now or late in the several tenures of *Thomas Dalton*, "alebruer" and *John Maskall*, armourer, divers lands and tenements situate in Netherholoway in the parish of Isuldon in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Hubbett* and *Clement Rigges*; the manor of Holme Hall in Stowquie in co. Cambridge and divers other lands and tenements Stowquye, Ditton, Fenne Ditton, Falborne or elsewhere in co. Cambridge; divers lands and tenements in the parish of Wolwiche in co. Kent now or late in the tenure of *Robert Stepnethe*, gent.; and divers lands and tenements in Rayley, Thundersley and Hockley, in co. Essex.

Thomas Russell, knight, now deceased, father of the said *John Russell*, was in the lifetime of the said *Thomas* seised in his demesne as of fee of the manors of Magna Wittley, Parva Wittley and Sutton Sturmye in the said county of Worcester, and the advowson of the churches of Magna and Parva Wittley to the said manors belonging; also 15 houses of salt water (bullaĩ) or salt pans in Droytwiche in the said county.

And he being so seised, a fine was levied at Westminster from the day of St. Michael in one month, 10 Eliz. [1568], between *Francis Folliott*, gent., and *Richard Butler*, plts. and the said *Thomas Russell*, deforciant, of the said manors, salt houses and advowsons, viz., the said *Thomas* acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *Francis* as those which the said *Francis* and *Richard* had of his gift, and the same remised and quitclaimed to them and to the heirs of the said *Francis* for ever: for this acknowledgment and agreement the said *Francis* and *Richard* granted the said premises to the said *Thomas* for the term of 1 week, and afterwards the said manors, &c., to remain to *Margaret* wife of the said *Thomas* for her life; after her decease, to the said *Thomas* and the heirs male of his body for ever; for default of such issue, then the said premises after the deaths of the said *Thomas* and *Margaret* to remain wholly to *John Russell* son and heir of *John Russell* of Wittley and the heirs male of his body; for default, then to the right heirs of the said *Thomas Russell* for ever.

The said *Thomas Russell* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 3 burgages in Tewkesbury in co. Gloucester, and of the moiety of 2 closes or pastures in Upton on Severne in co. Worcester called Fistelie Moore and Drake lande; and 10s. rent in Upton on Severne; the manor of Brode Campden in co. Gloucester, and 12 messuages, 12

cottages, 12 gardens, 6 orchards, 40 a. of land, 100 a. of meadow, 300 a. of pasture, 40 a. of furze and heath and 30s. 2½d. of rent in Brode Campden.

So seised, a fine was levied at Westminster from the day of Easter in 1 month, 14 Eliz. [1572], between *Philip Brace* and *Richard Cholmeley*, gentlemen, plts., and the said *Thomas Russell*, deforciant, of the said manor, rent and tenements, viz., the said *Thomas* acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *Richard* as those which the said *Richard* and *Philip* had of his gift, and the same remised and quitclaimed to them and the heirs of the said *Richard* for ever: for which acknowledgment the said *Richard* and *Philip* granted to the said *Thomas* the said manor, tenements and rent for his whole life without impeachment of waste; after his death, the same to remain wholly to *Thomas Russell*, gent., son of the said *Thomas Russell*, knight, and the heirs male of his body, paying therefore yearly to the said *Richard* and *Philip* and the heirs of the said *Richard* £7; for default of such issue, the said premises to revert wholly to the said *Richard* and *Philip* and the heirs of the said *Richard* for ever. By the said fine the said *Richard* and *Philip* also granted to the said *Thomas Russell* the father, the reversion of the said manor, tenements and rent, and the said rent of £7 above reserved: to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

Francis Brace, esq., was seised in his demesne as of fee of the 3rd part of the manor of Ridmerley Adams and of the 3rd part of 200 a. of land, 60 a. of meadow, 100 a. of pasture, 10 a. of wood, and 5s. rent in Wittley Magna in co. Worcester.

So seised, a fine was levied at Westminster 12 Eliz. [1569-70], between the said *Thomas Russell*, knight, and *Margaret* his wife, plts., and the said *Francis Brace* and *Mary* his wife, deforciants, of the said 3rd parts of the said manor, tenements and rent, whereupon a plea of covenant was summoned between them in the same court, to wit, the said *Francis* and *Mary* acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *Thomas* as those which the said *Thomas* and *Margaret* had of the gift of the said *Francis* and *Mary* and the same remised and quitclaimed to them and the heirs of the said *Thomas* for ever: which said fine was levied to the use of the said *Thomas Russell* and *Margaret* and the heirs of the said *Thomas* for ever.

The said *Thomas Russell* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of the manors of Streynshame, Pepleton, Dormeston, Thorne, Cookhill, Clodeshall and Fleforde Flavell, with the advowsons of the churches of Strenshame and Pepleton to the said manors belonging; and 200 messuages, 300 gardens, 4 water-mills, 4,000 a. of meadow,

2,000 a. of pasture and 500 a. of wood in Streynshame, Pepleton, Dormeston, Eckington, Cookhill, Cloddeshall and Fleeftord Flavell in the said county of Worcester.

So seised, in consideration of a marriage between the said *John Russell*, named in the said commission, and *Elizabeth Sheldon*, daughter of *Ralph Sheldon* of Beoley in the said county, esq., and in performance of a certain covenant to be fulfilled on behalf of the said *Thomas Russell*, specified in certain indentures tripartite dated 26 May, 15 Eliz. [1573], by his deed dated the 27th day of the same May in the said year delivered and confirmed to *Francis Welche* and *Edmund Harewell*, esquires, and the said *Francis Brace* all the said manors, advowsons and premises last recited and the reversions thereof: to hold to them and their heirs for ever, to the use of the said *Thomas Russell* and his heirs until the said marriage shall be solemnized, and afterwards to the use of the said *Thomas* for his natural life, after his decease, to the use of the said *John Russell* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the said *Thomas Russell* and the heirs male of his body; and for default, the remainder thereof to the right heirs of the said *Thomas* for ever.

The said *Thomas* died seised of all the said manors, &c., and the said *Margaret* survived him, and held herself sole in the said manors of Magna and Parva Whitley, &c., and is still thereof seised in her demesne as of free tenant for the term of her life. After the death of the said *Thomas Russell* the remainder of the said manors of Magna and Parva Wittley, &c., descended to the said *John Russell* as son and heir male of the body of the said *Thomas*.

The said *John Russell* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of a certain other messuage in the parish of St. Martin within Ludgate in the suburbs of London, late in the tenure of *Thomas Bromley*, the Queen's Solicitor General; 1 other tenement thereto next adjoining towards the south, late in the tenure of *Edward Griffyn*; 1 other messuage called the Shipp situate in the same parish and late in the tenure of *Thomas Taylor*; the manor of Eckington in co. Worcester; and the manors of Birlingham and Copinscorte in the said county.

So seised the said *John Russell* made another indenture tripartite dated the last day of December, 21 Eliz. [1578] between himself of the one part and *Francis Earl of Bedford*, Knight of the Garter and one of the Queen's Privy Council, and *Gilbert Littleton* of Belhall in co. Worcester of the other part [here given in English as follows]:

It is agreed between the said parties to the said indenture that the said *John Russell* shall before the end of Michaelmas Term next ensuing the date of these presents, by fine convey to the said *Earl* and *Gilbert*

Littleton and their heirs the manor of Holmehall in Stowquy in co. Cambridge and all other his lands, tenements, &c., in Stowquy, Ditton, Fenn Ditton, Fulbourne or elsewhere in co. Cambridge; the manors or the moieties of the manors of Easte Hamburnels, Weste Hamburnels, Estwesham and Plays in co. Essex; and all other his lands, tenements, &c., in the towns and parishes of Westham, Eastham, Railiegete, Hockley and Thundersley in co. Essex; all those 32 a. of marsh ground lying in the parish of Walwiche in co. Kent, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Stepnethe*, gent.; the moiety of a farm in . . . in co. Middlesex, in the tenure of *Robert Northe*; all other his lands and tenements being freehold in the parishes and towns of Hamsted, Willesdon, Islington and Holloway in co. Middlesex; 1 messuage in the par. of St. Martin within Ludgate in the suburbs of the City of London; the tenement next adjoining and the tenement called the Shipp; the moiety of 1 messuage without Ludgate in the said parish of St. Martins in the tenure of *Elizabeth Hodgson*; the moiety of 1 other tenement within Ludgate in the said parish of St. Martin called the Doggeshedd in the pott in the tenure of *Richard Graundiche*; the moiety of 2 tenements lying in the parish of St. Peter in Cornhill over against Leaden Haule in the tenure of *Thomas Dalton* and *Richard Lackson*; the moiety of 1 other messuage lying in the parish of St. Martin Orgar, in the tenure of — *Barton*, widow, and all other his lands and tenements within the City of London and the suburbs thereof and in Walworth within the parish of Newington in co. Surrey or elsewhere in the said county: all which premises were sometime the inheritance of *Sir Roger Cholemlay*, knight, late of London, deceased, grandfather of the said *John Russell* and his heirs male: which said fine shall remain and be to the use of the said *John Russell* for the term of his life; after his decease to the use of such heirs as he shall have by any wife after the death of *Elizabeth* his now wife and of the heirs of their bodies; for default, to the use of *Richard Ligon* of Madresfeld in co. Worcester, esq., for his life; after his decease, to the use of the heirs of the body of *Mary Ligon*, deceased, late wife of the said *Richard Lygon* and sister of the said *John Russell*; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *John Russell* for ever: Provided always that it may be lawful for the said *John Russell* at all times to make leases and grants of the said premises for 21 years, 3 lives or otherwise, or by his will to change or determine the said uses.

And whereas the said *John Russell* stands seised of a “state tayle” of the manor of Streynshame, Berlingham, Defforde, Coppingscourte, Great Wittley, Little Wittley, Pepleton, Spechley, Dormeston Hall in Hanley and Sutton Sturmy in co. Worcester, the 3rd part of the manor

of Ridmerley Addams in the said county, the advowsons and patronages of Streynshame, Pepleton and Wittley Magna, and divers messuages, lands tenements, "bullaries" and hereditaments in Streynshame, Overstreynshame, Nether Streynshame, Burlingham, Defford, Coppins Courte, Great and Little Wittley, Pepleton, Specheley, Dormeston, Cookhill, Cloddeshall, Maddersfeud, North Malvern, Fleford Flavell, Hanley, Upton Wellwyn, Sutton Sturmy, Radmerley and Droytewiche in the said county; the reversions or remainder of the manor of Brode Campden in co. Gloucester, the yearly rent of £7 issuing out of the said manor of Brode Campden, and sundry other messuages, lands, rents, &c., in cos. Worcester and Gloucester: of all which premises the said *John Russell* intends to alter the estate he now has therein and to make other estates: it is therefore now agreed between the said parties and the said *John Russell* grants that before the end of the said term of St. Michael he will by fine assure to the said *Earl of Bedford* and *Gilbert Littleton* and their heirs all the said premises last before recited: which said fine shall be to the use of the said *John Russell* for term of his life; and after his decease to the use of such heirs male as the said *John* shall have by any wife after the death of the said *Elizabeth* and their heirs male; for default, to the use of the heirs male of the body of *Sir Thomas Russell*, knight, deceased, father of the said *John*, by *Dame Margaret Russell* late his wife; for default, to the use of *John Russell*, gent., son of *John Russell* sometime of Great Wittley in co. Worcester, deceased, and his heirs male; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *John Russell* of Streynsham for ever, with provisoes as above.

The said *John Russell* being so seised of the said manors, &c., a fine was levied at Westminster [date not given] between the said *Francis Earl of Bedford* and *Gilbert Littleton*, esq., plaintiffs, and the said *John Russell*, deforciant, of all the said premises in the City of London and in the counties of Kent, Middlesex, Surrey, Essex and Cambridge [parcels set out], whereby the said *John Russell* acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *Earl* as those which he and the said *Gilbert* had of the gift of the said *John*, and the same remised and quitclaimed to them and the heirs of the said *Earl* for ever: which said fine so levied was to the uses specified in the said indenture tripartite last mentioned.

Another fine was levied at Westminster on the Morrow of Holy Trinity, 21 Eliz. [1579] between the same parties, of the said premises in cos. Worcester and Gloucester [parcels set out], whereby the said *John* acknowledged the same premises to be the right of the said *Earl* as those which he and the said *Gilbert* have of his gift, and the same

remised to them and the heirs of the said *Earl* for ever: which said fine was levied to the uses mentioned in the said indenture tripartite last mentioned.

So seised, the said *John Russell* made another indenture dated 11 July, 27 Eliz. [1585], as follows [here given in English]: Whereas I *John Russell* of Streynsham in co. Worcester, esq., by an indenture tripartite, made between myself of the one part and *Francis Earl of Bedford* and *Gilbert Littleton* of the other part, dated 31 Dec., 21 Eliz., did covenant to convey to the said *Earl* and *Gilbert* the manor of Homehall in Stowquye in co. Cambridge, &c., &c. [given above]: and whereas a fine was levied to the uses specified in the said indenture: Now forasmuch as I am resolved to alter the uses limited in the said deed, I hereby determine all the said uses of the said premises in cos. Cambridge and Essex, and appoint them to be to myself for term of my life; after my death to my cousin *William Russell*, knight, son of the said *Earl of Bedford* and to the heirs male of his body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever, provided always that it may be lawful for me to make leases of the said premises, &c., &c.

Thomas Hanforde of Wullarshall in co. Worcester, gent., and *Margaret* his wife were seised in their demesne as of fee of 2 water mills in Nafford in co. Worcester and 1 stable and 1 small house thereto adjoining in Nafforde; and so seised by indenture dated 7 Dec., 26 Eliz. [1583], sold the same to the said *John Russell* with all passages and water courses, with ingress and egress to and from the said premises with horse and men, saving to the said *Thomas* and *Margaret* and their heirs the land and soil of the said water courses and passages and the fish and fishing therein: to hold to the sole use of the said *John Russell* and his heirs for ever.

By an indenture dated the said day and year the said *John Russell* granted to the said *Thomas Hanforde* and *Margaret* and their heirs a certain annuity of £20 issuing out of the lands in Nether Streynshame.

The said *John Russell* made his will 24 April, 29 Eliz. [1587] as follows [Here given in English]:

I *John Russell* of Streynshame, intending shortly to travel into parts beyond the seas, do make my will concerning the manors, lands, &c., which have descended to me from my father *Sir Thomas Russell*, knight, from my grandfather *Sir Roger Cholmeley*, knight.

By the power to me given by the said provisoes mentioned in the said indenture, dated 31 Dec., 21 Eliz., I hereby not only determine the uses aforesaid, but I newly limit the uses of all my said manors, lands, &c., as follows: first, I devise the use of the manors of Over and Nether Streynsham, and all other my manors, lands, &c., in cos. Worcester and

Gloucester, in the City of London and in cos. Middlesex, Essex, Cambridge and Surrey, except such manors and lands as hereafter by this my will shall be particularly otherwise given, to my eldest son *Thomas Russell*: to hold the said manors, lands, &c., in cos. Worcester and Gloucester to the said *Thomas* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to *John Russell* my younger son and to the heirs male of his body; for default, to *Thomas Russell* my brother and the heirs male of his body; and for default, the remainder thereof to my right heirs for ever: and to hold the said manors, lands, &c., in the said City of London and in the said counties of Middlesex, Essex, Cambridge and Surrey to my said son *Thomas Russell* and to the heirs of his body; for default, to my said son *John* and the heirs of his body; and for default, to *Frances Russell* my daughter and the heirs of her body; and for default, to the use of my right heirs for ever. I give to the said *Frances* 2,000 marks, to be taken out of my said lands, and to be paid to her at her age of 18 years or day of marriage.

I give to the poor of Streynsham £6 13s. 4d.; to the poor of Hamerley £6 13s. 4d. and to the poor of Worcester £10.

To my nephew *William Lygon* a piece of plate of the value of £6 13s. 4d.

I will that the lease of Harrwell Wood and my crystal cup garnished with silver, and all arras, household stuff and furniture, and wainscot and glass at Streynsham House shall remain as "Irdlome" there, and my said son *Thomas* shall have them to his own use.

I give to my son *John* £200 in money and 100 marks in plate.

To *Ferlie* my bailiff £10.

I make my friends *Sir William Russell*, knight, and *Edmond Coles*, esq., executors.

I give the use of my said manors of Great and Little Wittley in co. Worcester and of all the bullaries and saltfats in Droitwich; and the reversions and remainders thereof after the death of *Dame Margaret* now the wife of *Sir Henry Burkeley*, knight, to *Thomas Russell* my eldest son: to hold for his natural life.

Codicil made 13 December, 30 Eliz. [1587]:

Whereas I have appointed *Jasper Colmeley* to be one of my executors [not given above] and willed to him 100 marks, and as he is now dead I ordain in his place my cousin *Sir William Russell*, knight, to be co-executor with the said *Edmond Colles*, esq.

And whereas I have devised to *Richard Cholmely* £40 [not given above] I now revoke the said legacy as I have given him something of that value.

To *Samuel Butler* my servant my black gelding; to *John Goddington* my chamberlain £20, and to my servant *John Pratt* £10.

The moiety of the messuage within the parish of St. Martin within Ludgate in the tenure of *Richard Graundiche* is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, to wit, by the 20th part of 1 knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 30s. Of whom the moiety of the messuage in the said parish in the tenure of *Robert Hodgson* is held is not known; it is worth per ann., clear, 20s. Of whom the messuage in the said parish in the tenure of *Thomas Bromley* is held is not known, it is worth per ann. £6. The manor of Holmehall and all the tenements in Stowquye, Ditton, Fenditton and Fulbourne in co. Cambridge are worth per ann. £6 13s. 4d., but of whom they are held the jurors know not. The moiety of the manors of Estham Burnells, Westhall Burnells, East-westham and Plays in co. Essex are worth per ann., clear, £3, but of whom they are held the jurors know not. The moiety of the said 10 a. of marsh in Eastham in co. Essex is worth per ann., clear, 20s. but of whom it is held is not known. The moiety of the premises in Walworth and Newington in co. Surrey is worth per ann., 20s., but of whom held is not known. The premises in Rayleighe, Thundersley and Hockley in co. Essex are worth per ann., 5s., but of whom they are held the jurors know not. The manor of Sutton Sturmy and the advowson of the church of Sutton and the 3rd part of the manor of Ridmerley Adams are held of *Thomas Cornwall*, esq., as of his barony of Barfoorde in co. Salop by fealty and suit at the court of his said barony, and they are worth per ann., clear, after the death of *Margaret Barckley*, late the wife of the said *Thomas Russell*, knight, £12. The manor of Wittley Magna and Wittley Parva and the advowson of the Church of Wittley are held of *William Savage*, esq., as of his barony or manor of Elmely Castell in co. Worcester by the service of half a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Margaret* £20. The manors of Over Streynshame, Nether Streynshame and Pepleton and the advowsons of the churches of Streynshame and Pepleton and the tenements in Streynshame, Pepleton and Defford in co. Worcester are held of the Dean and Chapter of St. Peters, Westminster, as of their [blank] in the said county, by the service of 1 knight's fee and a half, and are worth per ann., clear, £36. The manor of Dormeston and other the premises there are held of *Edward Nevell* Lord Aburgaveney as of his manor of Nowberie in co. Worcester by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £11 10s. 0d. The premises in Cookhill, Thorne and Flyfoord Flavell, are held of the said Lord Aburgaveney as of his said manor of Nowberie by the service of 1 knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £3 19s. 4d. The manor of Haulle in Hamley and other the premises in Hanley Castle are held of *John Hormolde*, esq., as of his manor of Hanley Castle by fealty and suit at the court of the barony of

his said manor twice in the year for all services, and are worth per ann., clear, £13. 6s. 4d. The said houses of salt water (bullaŕ) and other the premises in Droytwich in co. Worcester are held of the bailiffs and burgesses of the town of Droytwich, as of their Exchequer, by fealty only for all services, and are worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Margaret* £19. The premises in Upton on Severn are held of *Henry Bromeley*, knight, as of his manor of Upton-on-Severn, by fealty and suit at the court of his said manor, and are worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d. The manor of Eckington and other the premises there are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d., but of whom they are held the jurors know not. The manor of Byelingham and Coppinscourte in co. Worcester are held of the Queen by knight's service in chief, to wit, by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £20. The manor of Brodcampden in co. Gloucester is held of [blank] *Smythe*, esq., as of his manor of Chippingcampden in the said county by fealty and suit at the court of the barony of his said manor, and is worth per ann., clear, £7. The tenements in Tewkesbury are held of the Queen in burgage by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The 2 mills and other the premises in Nafford in co. Worcester are worth per ann., clear, 53s. 4d., but of whom they are held is not known.

John Russell died 18 September, 35 Eliz. [1593]: *Thomas Russell*, esq., is his son and next heir, and was then under age, viz., of the age of 16 years on the 9th day of April last past.

Elizabeth late the wife of the said *John Russell* still survives.

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Arthur Lee, Citizen and Tallowchandler.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 23 July, 37 Eliz. [1595], before *John Spencer*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Arthur Lee*, citizen and tallowchandler of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvy*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Lee*, *Edward Pilsworthe*, *Robert Durant*, *Andrew Feilde*, *John Alyn*, *Robert Sawnders*, *Richard Kerby*, *Nicholas Maddox*, *Peter Noxton*, *Michael Crowche* and *Henry Earsly*, who say that

Arthur Lee long before and at the time of his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 tenement, with all the houses, buildings, stables and gardens thereto belonging, lying in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishoppesgate, and abutting upon the cemetery there towards the south; the tenement called the White Harte on the north, formerly in the tenure of *Thomas Armestronge*, and now or late in that of *John*

Strawe; of all those several messuages with all the houses, &c., thereto belonging situate in the parish of St. Botolph without Algate, London, now or late in the several tenures of *James Adlington*, citizen and woolman of London, *Christopher Bende*, saddler, *Andrew Morrell* and *John de Lowe*, gallorum, and all those messuages and gardens lying in the parish of St. Giles beyond Creplegate, London, *viz.*, one of them now or late called by the name of the Signe of the Castell, late in the tenure of *George Merrick*, 3 others, late in the several tenures of *Thomas Walker*, fletcher, *William Shorris* and *Nicholas Bourne*, and 1 other, now or late in the tenure of *John Bull*.

So seized, the said *Arthur Lee* made his will as follows: I give to *George Lee* my son and his heirs for ever all those my tenements set within the parish of St. Botolphe without Aldgate and within the liberties of the City of London.

I give to *Cuthbert Lee* my son and to his heirs for ever my tenement in the parish of St. Botolphe without Bishopsgate now or late in the tenure of *John Strawe*, and all my tenements and garden plot lying in Grubbstreet and Foorstreet within the parish of St Giles without Creplegate, London, as by the said will dated 30 April, 1594, it more fully appears.

The premises lying in the said parish of St. Botolph without Bisshoppesgate are held in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The said messuages lying in the said parish of St. Botolph without Aldgate are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d. The tenements situate in the said parish of St. Giles without Creplegate are held in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, 50s.

Arthur Lee died 7 May last past, *George Lee* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 49 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 243, No. 24.

Mary Barnes.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 October, 37 Eliz. [1595], before *John Spencer*, knight, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of a writ *de que plura* after the death of *Mary Barnes*, daughter of *Thomas Barnes*, citizen and "curryor" of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *James Robinson*, *Robert Durant*, *John Jennings*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Sawnders*, *Cuthbert Lea*, *Richard Kirckby*, *Richard Milles*, *James Tailor*, *Michael Crowch*, *Edward Catcher*, *Henry Earsley*, *William rowche* and *Henry Best*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Marie Barnes* a certain *Robert Losse* of Cannons in the parish of Whitchurch in co. Middlesex, gent., was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages, now divided into 3 messuages, situate in the parish of St. Michael Basshingsha, London, formerly in the tenure of *John Burneham* and now or late in the several tenures of *Nicholas Killingworth*, *William Marryn*, the said *Thomas Barnes* and *John Willet*, formerly belonging to the Priory of Elzinge Spittell: which said messuages descended to the said *Robert Losse* and his heirs after the death of *Hugh Losse*, esq., his father.

So seised, the said *Robert Losse* by indenture dated 24 March, 18 Eliz. [1576], made between himself of the one part and the said *Mary Barnes* of the other part, granted the said messuages to the said *Mary* and her heirs for ever, by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses, the said *Mary* was thereof seised in her desmesne as of fee.

So seised, the said *Mary Barnes* made her will, 14 July, 31 Eliz. [1589], as follows: I *Marie Barnes*, daughter of *Thomas Barnes*, citizen and Curryor of London, do give to my said father all my messuages, houses and hereditaments situate in the parish of Bassingsha in London, for the term of his natural life, and the remainder thereof after his decease I give to my 3 brothers *Guiles*, *Thomas* and *Robert Barnes* and their heirs for ever.

One of the said 2 tenements above specified is other and more than the said tenement mentioned in the first Inquisition taken here 20 October, 32 Eliz. [1590], after the death of the said *Mary*.

The said message more than was found in the first Inquisition together with the said tenements in the said parish of St. Michael Bassingsha are held of the Queen in chief, by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and that the said other tenement is worth per ann., clear, 10s.

Mary Barnes died 27 July, 31 Eliz. [1589]; after her death the said *Thomas Barnes* her father entered into the said premises and took the profits thereof up to his death, viz., by the space of 4 months, and afterwards, viz., on the 16th day of December, 32 Eliz. [1589], the said *Thomas Barnes* died.

After his death *Thomas Barnes*, brother of the said *Mary*, entered into the said premises.

Before the taking of this Inquisition the said *Giles* and *Robert Barnes* died.

The said *Thomas* is the brother and next heir of the said *Mary Barnes*.

John Markaunt, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 21 February, 37 Eliz. [1595], before *John Spencer*, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of a writ "*de meliore Inquirend*" after the death of *John Markaunt*, gent., by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *Hugh Lee*, *James Robinson*, *Edward Pilsworth*, *John Feninges*, *Robert Durant*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Saunders*, *Andrew Feild*, *Nicholas Maddox*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Peter Noxon*, *Richard Milles*, *Christopher Askwith*, *James Taylor*, *Michael Crowche*, and *Edward Catcher*.

Whereas by an Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 18 February, 33 Eliz. [1591], after the death of the said *John Markaunt* it was found that he was seised in his demesne as of fee of divers messuages, lands and tenements in the parish of St. Martin in the Vintrey, 1 whereof was then or late a dyhouse in the tenure of *William Calverley* and then or late in the several tenures of *Robert Swanne* and *Edmund Bailie*, but in whose tenures the residue of the said premises was the jurors did not know; neither did they know when the said *John* died nor who was his heir, &c.

But now the jurors say that the said *John Markaunt* long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages in the parish of St. Martin in the Vintrey, now or late in the tenures of *Augustine Parker* and *Richard Shawe*; 4 tenements there now or late in the tenure of *George Cowdrey*, *Richard Langford*, *John Davis* and *Richard Lowe*; and 1 house called a Diehouse there, now or late in the several occupations of *Robert Swanne* and *Edward Baylie*.

So seised, the said *John Markaunt* by indenture dated 20 October, 24 Eliz. [1582], gave the said premises as follows: This indenture made between *John Markaunt* of Stoke next Nayland in co. Essex, Clerk, of the one part, and *Joseph Scott* of Colchester in the said county, gent., and *Christopher Johnsonn* of the said town, yeoman, of the other part, witnesses that whereas the said *John Markaunt* stands seised of divers messuages and lands lying within the parish of St. Martin in the Vintrey in the several tenures of *John Hawthorne*, *William Claverley alias Calverley*, — *Prouze*, — *Patrick*, — *Kenney* and *Robert Baker*; and whereas also the said *John* is desirous that the said premises should be assured to himself and *Margaret* his wife during their lives, and after their decease should be assured to the persons specified in these presents (which he thinks he may justly and truly take to be the sons and daughters of the said *John*) and to the heirs male of their body, and to

the intent that all the said premises should remain in the blood or name of the *Markaunts*—the said *John* as well for the considerations aforesaid as in considerations of a marriage heretofore had between him and *Margaret* his wife and for the love he bare to her and to the persons herein named agreed with the said *Joseph Scotte* and *Christopher Johnson* and their heirs that he and his heirs shall be seised of all the said premises to the use of himself and *Margaret* his wife for the term of their natural lives, and after their deceases, to the use of *John Markaunt* the younger, “commonlie called” and which he esteems to be the second son of the said *John* and *Margaret* and of the heirs male of the body of the said *John* the younger; for default, the remainder thereof to *William Markaunt*, another of the sons of the said *John* and *Margaret*, and to the heirs male of his body; for default, to *Edmond Markaunt* another son of the said *John* and *Margaret* and to the heirs male of his body; for default, to *Sara*, *Syvys* and *Elizabeth Markaunt*, the 3 daughters of the said *John*, and to the heirs male of their bodies; and for default, to the right heirs of the said *Edmond Markaunt* for ever: Provided always that if the said *Margaret* or the said *John*, *William*, *Edmond*, *Sara*, *Syvys* or *Elizabeth* shall sell or alienate any of the said premises, then the use and estate hereby limited to them shall be utterly void.

The premises in the said indenture specified to be in the tenure of the said *John Hawthorne* and others are the same premises mentioned in this Inquisition to be in the tenure of *Augustine Parker* and others, and not others.

The messuage now or late in the tenure of the said *Robert Swanne* and *Edward Baylie* is held of the Queen in chief by the — part of a knight’s fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The residue of the said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £4 13s. 4d.

John Markaunt died 12 September, 27 Eliz. [1585], *Edmond Markaunt* is his son and next heir, and was aged 19 years on the 7th day of October, 29 Eliz. [1587].

The said *Margaret* late the wife of the said *John* still survives at Bury St. Edmunds in co. Suffolk: immediately after the death of the said *John* she entered into all the said premises and took the profits thereof.

Hugh Offley, Citizen and Alderman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 2 August, 37 Eliz. [1595], before *John Spencer*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Hugh Offley*, late citizen and Alderman of London, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvie*, *William Crowche*, *Edward Pillesworth*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Lea*, *John Jennings*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Saunders*, *Robert Durrant*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Richard Mylles*, *Christopher Askwith*, *Edward Catcher*, and *Henry Earsley*, who say that

Hugh Offley long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage or mansion house wherein he then dwelt, lying in Lymestreet, London, in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft; and 5 other messuages in the same street in the parishes of St. "Ander-shafte" and St. Dionisius Backchurch within the City of London, late in the several tenures of *James Bowner*, *Thomas Bloomfeilde*, — *Tryolis*, widow, and *William Allyson* (?); 1 tenement called the Lodge late in the tenure of *John Levyson*: all which said premises are in the said parishes of St. Andrew and St. Dionisius; 1 capital messuage called by the name of Turckes Alley, lying in the said parish of St. Andrew Undershaft on Cornhill in the City of London, now or late in the occupation of *Matthew Dolman*, citizen and haberdasher of London; and 1 other messuage lying in Cornhill in the parish of St. Christopher near the Stocks in the ward of Broadstreet in the said City of London, now in the tenure of *John Paradyne*; also of 1 other capital messuage being within the parish of St. Michael Pater Noster near Whittingdon College in the said City late in the tenure of *Dame Ursula Langley*, widow; and 2 other messuages in the same parish, one whereof adjoins the south part of the gate of the said capital messuage and the other the south part of the said gate, now in the several tenures of *John Lendall*, cooper, and *Hugh Hunte*, tailor; also of 1 messuage formerly called by the name of le George, together with one piece of land, *Anglice*, a woodwharff to the said messuage adjoining, lying in Eastsmithefeilde in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldgate, London, now or late in the tenure of *William Partridge*; also of 4 messuages situate within the close of St. Helen the Great within the said City, now or late in the several tenures of *Levy van Derstelt*, *Robert Hubbarde*, *Hugh Kenrick* and *Geoffrey Nettleton*; 11 messuages lying in a certain street called St. Marie at Axe within the parish of St. Andrew, now or late in the several tenures of *James Wembe*, — *Harrington*, widow, *Josias Careless*, *John Morgan*, *Rowland Richardson*, *Sibella Harrison*, *Matthew Flyer* and *Richard*

Hudson; 1 tenement being in Watergate street in the parish of Holy Trinity within the City of Chester now or late in the occupation of *Hugh Rogers alias Rogerson*, Alderman of the City of Chester; and 1 other messuage or mansion house lying in Norgate street in the said City, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Wright*. Of whom or by what services the capital messuage or mansion house in Limestreet in the said parish of St. Andrew Undershaft, wherein the said *Hugh Offley* dwelt, the 5 messuages in Limestreet in the said parish and in that of St. Dionisius Backchurch and the tenement called the Lodge are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £10. Of whom or by what services the messuage called Turkes Alley and the messuage in Cornhill are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £7. The capital messuage in the parish of St. Michael Pater Noster and the 2 other messuages lying there are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The messuage in East Smithfield called le George together with the said woodwharf are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee is not known, and are worth per ann., clear, £5. The 4 messuages lying within the Close of St. Helen the Great, and the 11 messuages lying in the street called St. Marie at Axe are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. Of whom or by what services the messuage in Watergate street and the mansion house in Norgate street are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 20s.

Hugh Offley died 26 November last past; *Thomas Offley*, gent., is his son and next heir, and was then aged 28 years and more.

Dorothea Offley relict of the said *Hugh* still survives.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 243, No. 92.

Richard Harryson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 24 January, 37 Eliz. [1595], before *John Spencer*, Mayor and escheator, of the said City, after the death of *Richard Harryson*, of the parish of St. Olave in Southwark in co. Surrey, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Crowch*, *Hugh Lee*, *John Feninges*, *Robert Durrant*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Saunders*, *Richard Rogers*, *Andrew Feild*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Peter Noxon*, *Richard Milles*, *Christopher Askwith*, *James Taylor*, *Edward Catcher*, *James Robinson*, and *William Harvy* who say that

Long before the death of the said *Richard Harryson* a certain *Lewis Davy*, citizen and whitebaker of London, and *Joan* his wife were seised in their demesne as of fee of all that messuage and "backhowse" now or late in the tenure of *Henry Awstyn*, citizen and baker of London, and those 3 places or "Romes" the one built upon the other to the said messuage belonging; and all that messuage now or late in the tenure of *John Maria*, citizen and goldsmith of London, situate in the parish of St. Mary and St. Gabriel in Fanchurch street in the said City of London: which said 2 messuages and bakehouse were late parcel of the monastery of St. Mary of Graces near the Tower of London lately dissolved.

So seised the said *Lewis* and *Joan* by indenture dated 11 February, 12 Eliz. [1570] granted and sold to the said *Richard Harryson* and *Ellen* his wife the said messuages and all the shops, cellars, solars, curtilages, houses, cubicles, entries, &c., thereto belonging, together with all lights, water courses and liberties therewith used and occupied, and afterwards by the said indenture the said *Lewis* and *Joan* granted to the said *Richard* and *Ellen* all the right, title, possession, reversion and remainder which they or any other person to their use then had or afterwards might have in the said 2 messuages and bakehouse before bargained and sold, together with all Letters Patent, charters and writings concerning the premises: To hold to the said *Richard Harryson* and *Ellen* and their heirs for ever.

A certain *Nicholas Coxe*, citizen and goldsmith of London, was on the 4th day of February, 18 Eliz. [1576], seised in his demesne as of fee of all that messuage late in the tenure of *Thomas Bye* situate in or near Fanchurch street in the parish of St. Gabriel Fanchurch, and of a small parcel of land adjoining the kitchen of the said messuage containing in breadth 3 feet of assize and in length 14 feet and 2 inches of assize, situate in the said parish of St. Gabriel, and all that ground under the gate and the houses built thereupon containing in length from the principal post supporting the said house up to Fanchurch street, and in breadth with the said entry there 14 feet, 6 inches, and in breadth from the further end of the said gate towards the yard 11 feet and 1 inch of assize, and in height 9 feet of assize; also 3 places or cubicles the one built over the other lying at the end of the said places upon the said gate in the said parish of St. Gabriel, now or late in the occupation of *Robert Martyn*, whereof the lower place contains in length 12 feet and 4 inches of assize and in breadth 7 feet and 7 inches of assize, the second place contains in length 14 feet of assize and in breadth 6 feet 4 inches of assize, and the 3rd place contains in length 14 feet of assize and in breadth 5 feet and 11 inches of assize.

So seised, the said *Nicholas Coxe* and *Alice* his wife by indenture dated 14 February, 18 Eliz. [1576], bargained and sold to the said *Richard Harrison* and his heirs all the said messuage and yard and all other the premises last recited and all their right, estate, possession, reversion and remainder therein: to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

The said *Richard Harrison* being so seised of all the said premises by his will dated 16 May, 26 Eliz. [1584], bequeathed the same as follows: I give the 2 tenements in the parish of St. Gabriel Fanchurch which I purchased of *Lewis Davy*, baker, to *Thomas Harrison* my son and his heirs for ever after the decease of *Ellen* my wife. And I bequeath the messuage which I bought of my wife's brother *Nicholas Cockes*, goldsmith, and *Alice* his wife to the said *Ellen* my wife for the term of her life, the remainder thereof after her decease to my daughter *Margaryt Smyth* for the term of her natural life, the remainder thereof after her decease to *Richard Smyth* her son and to his heirs for ever. I will that the synck or water course; now running from and out of the messuage and bakehouse now in the occupation of *William Eyre*, baker, through the yard of the said messuage purchased of the said *Nicholas Coxe* and *Alice* into the street and all the lights and prospects of the said messuage and bakehouse into the said yard shall for ever hereafter be used and continued as now they are without "anie stoppage or gaynsayninge".

The said two messuages and bakehouse are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, viz, by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £4 13s. 4d. The said messuage formerly of the said *Nicholas Coxe* and all other the premises before recited are held in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Richard Harrison died 20 June, 26 Eliz. [1584], at Southwark; *Thomas Harrison* is his son and next heir and was then aged 27 years and more.

Ellen late the wife of the said *Richard* died on the 11th day of this instant month of January.

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William Coppynger, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 5 February, 37 Eliz. [1595], before *William Lambard*, esq., *William Necton*, esq., feodary of the City of London, *Michael Beresford*, gent., and *Nicholas Morgan*, gent., deputy escheator, after the death of *William Coppynger*, esq., by

the oath of *Thomas Sewell, William Harvy, Hugh Lee, James Robinson, John Jencynges, Robert Durant, Robert Sanders, Andrew Feild, Cuthbert Lee, Richard Milles, Christopher Askewith, Henry Best, Michael Crouche, Edward Catcher, Edward Pillesworthe, William Crowche, Stephen Porter and Hugh Ingram*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *William Coppynger* a certain *Thomas Coppynger*, esq., his father, was seised in his demesne as of fee tail, viz., to him and the heirs male of his body of 1 capital messuage lying in the parishes of St. Margaret in Lothbury and St. Olave in the Old Jury, London; 2 other tenements adjoining the said capital messuage at the east part thereof, viz., at the south east corner of the garden of the said messuage now in the tenure of *Thomas Cacher*, citizen and draper of London, and formerly parcel of the possessions of the late monastery of the Salutation of the Mother of God (*Salutacois matris dei*) of the Order of the Carthusians next the said City, now dissolved; and 1 other tenement lying in the parish of St. Margaret in Lothbury, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Greame*.

Long before the death of the said *William Coppynger* a certain *Henry Coppynger*, esq., his grandfather, was seised in his demesne as of fee as of the manors of Buxall *alias* Bucksalles, Cocksall, Old Nectones and Fasebornes in co. Suffolk, and of the advowson and right of patronage of the parish Church of Buxall *als* Bucksalles, lying in the vills, fields or parishes of Buxall, Rattesden, Hecham, Finbarrow and Brethenham in co. Suffolk; and 60 a. of land, 20 a. of meadow and 20 a. of pasture in Buxall, Rattesden, Finbarrow, Hecham and Brethenham in the said county.

So seised, the said *Henry* by his will dated 26 August, 12 Eliz. [1570], gave all the said premises in co. Suffolk to *Agnes Coppinger* then his wife for the term of her life in the name of her jointure if she remain sole and unmarried: which said *Agnes* still survives unmarried; and the reversion of all the said premises the said *Henry* willed to the said *Thomas Coppinger* father of the said *William* and to the heirs male of his body, with divers other remainders thereof in fee tail; and for default, the remainder thereof to the right heirs of the said *Henry* for ever. After the death of the said *Henry* the said *Agnes* entered into all the said premises and was thereof seised in her demesne as of free tenement for her life, with remainders as above.

The said *Thomas Coppinger*, esq., father of the said *William* was seised in his demesne as of fee tail of the manor or tenement of Devington *ats* Brunstone or Knightes Place in co. Kent, the manor or tenement called Wormedall *ats* Borden in the parishes of Newington, Stockburye and Borden in the said county of Kent, with all the woods, underwoods

and members in the said parishes of Newington, Stockburye and Borden, to the said manor belonging, the manor or tenement called Ravens in Preston or elsewhere in the said county, now or late in the tenure of *William Ashurst*, 2 water mills called corne mills, and divers lands, tenements and hereditaments to the said mills belonging, lying in the vills, parishes or fields of Osprindge, Devington, Musson (?) and Feversham in the said county sometime in the tenure of *Bartholomew Ball*; 1 other water mill called a Brazill mill with all the buildings, houses, lands, pools and weirs thereto belonging, being in the parishes, vills or fields of Osprindge, Devington and Feversham, now or late in the tenure of *William Hampton*.

The said *Thomas Coppinger* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor or tenement or farm called Churchstreet in the parishes of All Hallows Stoke or St. Mary's in the said county of Kent, and so seised by his said last will the said *Thomas* gave *inter alia* to the said *William Coppinger* and the heirs male of his body the said manor called Churchstreet.

The said *Thomas Coppinger* died 21 March, 22 Eliz. [1580], then having issue the said *William* (named in the Commission) and *Francis Coppinger*, another son who now survives. After the death of the said *Thomas* the said *William* entered into all the said premises and was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee tail.

The said capital messuage and all other the premises in the City of London are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 29s., and are worth per ann., clear, £13 os. 4d. The manor of Buxall and Coxall, Old Nectons and Fasbornes and the advowson of Buxall are held of the Queen as of the honor of her Duchy of Lancaster by knight's service, by the — part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £36 7s. 5½d. The 60 a. of land and other the premises in Buxall, Rattesden, Finbarrow, Hecham and Brethenham in co. Suffolk are held of the Queen as of her said honor by knight's service, *viz.*, by the — part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £10. The manor of Devington *ats* Branston *ats* Knights place in co. Kent is held of the Queen in free socage as of her manor of Feversham by fealty, suit at court and the rent of £4 8s. 0¾d. by the year, and are worth per ann., clear, £10. The manor of Wormdall *ats* Borden and all the woods and underwoods lying in Newington Borden and Stockburye in co. Kent are held of the Queen in socage as of her manor of Milton in co. Kent by fealty and the yearly rent of 13s. 4d., and are worth per ann., clear, £16 13s. 4d. The manor of Ravens is held in socage of the Dean and Chapter of Christ Church, Canterbury, as of their manor of Preston by fealty and the yearly rent

of 31s. 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ d. and is worth per ann., clear, 100s. The two water mills in Osprindge, Devington and Feversham in co. Kent are held in socage of *Richard Thornhill*, esq., as of his manor of Quenecourt in co. Kent by fealty and the yearly rent of 3s. and are worth per ann., clear, 60s. The other mill called a Brazill mill is held in socage of the said *Richard Thornhill* as of his said manor of Quenecourt by fealty and the yearly rent of 12d., and is worth per ann., clear, 2s. 6d. The manor of Churchstreet is held of the Queen in socage as of her manor of Wyndhill by fealty and the yearly rent of 10s., and is worth per ann., clear, £10.

William Coppinger died 8 September, 36 Eliz. [1594] without any heir of his body; the said *Francis Coppinger* is his brother and the next heir male of the body of the said *Thomas Coppinger* father of the said *William* and *Francis*, and was aged 16 years on the 18th day of December last past.

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Ferdinand, Earl of Derby.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 13 June, 37 Eliz. [1595], before *Thomas Walmisley*, one of the justices of the Queen's Bench, *Matthew Ewens*, one of the Barons of the Exchequer, *William Danyell*, serjeant-at-law, and *William Necton*, feodary of the said City, commissioners, after the death of the Most Noble *Ferdinand* late *Earl of Derby*, by virtue of a commission to them and others directed, by the oath of *William Styche*, *Thomas Rudd*, *Thomas Coxe*, *Walter Fylkins*, *Thomas Langhorne*, *Roger Warde*, *William Glover*, *George Amerye*, *William Crowche*, *William Jenson*, *Robert Jones*, *John Rippon*, *Hugh (?) Farington* and *William Woodcocke*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Ferdinand Earl of Derby*, *Edward* late *Earl of Derby*, his grandfather, had issue *Henry Lord Straunge*, afterwards *Earl Derby*, his son and heir apparent, father of the said *Ferdinand* and *Thomas Stanley*, knight, and *Edward Stanley*, knight, his younger sons: which said *Henry Lord Straunge* had issue *Edward Stanley*, esq., his eldest son, who died on the 5th day of March, 4 Eliz. [1562], at Holborn in the suburbs of the City of London without heirs male of his body; and the said *Ferdinand*, late *Earl of Derby*, his 2nd son, *William*, now *Earl of Derby*, his 3rd son, and *Francis Stanley*, esq., his 4th son.

The said *Edward* late *Earl of Derby* was long before the death of the said *Ferdinand* seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor of

Holborn in the suburbs of the City of London, and 100 messuages, 40 gardens and 1 a. of land in Holborn and Shoelane in the said suburbs, and so seised, by charter indented dated 20 March, 12 Eliz. [1570] with a schedule annexed sealed with the seal of the arms of the said *Edward* and subscribed with his own hand, he then being fully resolved in what ways the manors, lands, &c., mentioned in the said indenture should continue and be as well during his lifetime as after his decease, and then being desirous that the said premises should descend and come to his heirs male in the manner and form expressed in the said schedule, and to the intent that they should remain to such of his name and blood as are mentioned in the said schedule and for the paternal love and favor he bore towards the said *Henry* and the heirs male of his body—the said *Edward* agreed with *George Earl of Shrewsbury*, *Thomas Earl of Sussex*, *Henry Lord Morley*, *Edward Lord Stafford*, *Edward Lord Dudley*, *John Arundell*, knight, *Richard Shirburne*, knight, *Thomas Houghton*, esq., *Edward Tildisley*, esq., *Thomas Cansfeilde*, esq., *Henry Coney* and *James Kenricke* and their heirs that he and his heirs and all other persons who after the 1st day of May then next following should be seised of the said premises, should be thereof seised immediately after the said 1st day of May to the use of the said *Edward* late *Earl of Derby* for the term of his life, the remainder thereof after his decease to the said *Henry* then *Lord Straunge* and afterwards *Lord Derby* for the term of 99 years if he so long shall live; the remainder thereof after the death of the said *Edward Lord Derby* to the 1st to the 13th sons of the said *Henry Lord Straunge* successively and to the heirs male of their bodies severally and successively issuing; for default, the remainder thereof to the said *Thomas Stanley*, knight, 2nd son of the said *Edward Lord Derby* for his natural life; and after his decease, the remainder thereof to the 1st to the 10th sons of the said *Thomas* successively and to the heirs male of their bodies severally and successively issuing; for default, the remainder thereof to the said *Edward Stanley*, knight, 3rd son of the said *Edward Earl of Derby*, during his natural life; and after his decease, to the use of the 1st to the 10th sons successively of the said *Edward Stanley* and the heirs male of their bodies severally and successively issuing; for default, the remainder thereof to the heirs male of the body of the said *Edward Earl of Derby*; for default, the remainder thereof to the heirs male of the body of *George* formerly *Lord Straunge*, grandfather of the said *Edward Earl of Derby*, and the heirs male of their bodies; for default, to the heirs of the body of the said *Edward Earl of Derby*; and for default, to the right heirs of the said *Edward Earl of Derby* for ever, by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Edward* late *Earl*

of *Derby* was seised of the said premises in his demesne as of free tenement for the term of his life, with remainders as above, and so seised, afterwards, *viz.*, on the 24th day of October, 14 Eliz. [1572], died at Holborn. After his death the said *Henry* then *Earl of Derby* entered into the said premises for the term of 99 years, with remainder to the said *Ferdinand* and others, and so being thereof possessed died, 25 September, 35 Eliz., at Holborn. After his decease the said *Ferdinand* late *Earl of Derby* entered into the said manor of Holborn and other the premises in Holborn and Shoelane and was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee tail.

The manor of Holborn and other the premises in Holborn and Shoelane are held of the Queen in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £10.

The said *Ferdinand* late *Earl of Derby* married *Alice* daughter of *John Spencer*, knight, and by her had issue *Lady Anne* his eldest daughter, *Lady Frances* his second daughter, and *Lady Elizabeth* his third daughter.

The said *Ferdinand* died 16 April, 36 Eliz. [1594], at Holborn, without heir male of his body: the said ladies *Anne*, *Frances* and *Elizabeth* are his daughters and next heirs: the said *Lady Anne* is now aged 13 years, 7 months and 21 days, the said *Lady Frances* 11 years and 21 days, and the said *Lady Elizabeth* 7 years, 4 months and 21 days.

The said *Alice Countess of Derby* still survives at Holborn.

The said *William* now *Earl of Derby* is the brother and next heir male of the said *Ferdinand*, and son and next heir male of the said *Henry* late *Earl of Derby*, and kinsman and next heir male of the said *Edward* late *Earl of Derby*, *viz.*, brother and heir male of the said *Ferdinand*, son and heir of the said *Henry* late *Earl of Derby*, son and heir of the said *Edward* late *Earl of Derby*, and is now aged 32 years and more.

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Edward Herdson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 21 May, 38 Eliz. [1596], before *Nicholas Morgan*, esq., deputy escheator, *William Necton*, esq., feodary of the said City, and *John Lowman*, esq., commissioners, after the death of *Edward Herdson*, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *John Jennynghes*, *James Tailor*, *Robert Durant*, *Stephen Porter*, *Michael Crowche*, *Robert Sawnders*, *Edward Catcher*, *James Felles* and *Humphrey Hooper*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Edward Herdson* a certain *John Reynoldes*, citizen and skinner of London, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages lying in the parish of the Blessed Mary St. Gabriel [*sic*] in Fanchurch street within the said City, now or late in the several tenures of *Arthur Gervis* and *Gilbert Saie*.

So seised the said *John Reynolds* by charter dated the last day of February, 16 Eliz. [1574], granted the said premises to the said *Edward Herdson* and *Bridget* then his wife: to hold to them and the heirs of the said *Edward* for ever, by virtue whereof they were thereof seised, to wit the said *Edward* in his demesne as of fee, and the said *Bridget* in her demesne as of free tenement.

The said premises are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and by the yearly rent of 6s. 8d., and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Edward Herdson died 18 February, 26 Eliz. [1584]; after his death the reversion of the said premises descended to *Thomas Herdson* his son and heir, who was aged 16 years on the 7th day of this instant month of May last past.

The said *Bridget* late the wife of the said *Edward* still survives.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 245, No. 41.

Thomas Castell, Junior.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 3 October, 36 Eliz. [1594], before *Richard Martin*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Castell*, junior, son of *Francis Castell*, deceased, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvy*, *William Crowche*, *James Robinson*, *Robert Durrant*, *Stephen Porter*, *Nicholas Maddox*, *Richard Milles*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Robert Saunders*, *Richard Rogers*, *Andrew Feildes*, *Richard Kirkby*, *Henry Best*, *Michael Crowche*, and *Edward Katcher*, who say that

Thomas Castell long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and 1 shop called the Smythes Forge *alias* the Ferrars Howe, now in the tenure of *Thomas Garrent* and *Joan Walbatt*, widow; 1 messuage now in the tenure of *Isaack Tucker*; 1 messuage now in the occupation of *William Longe*; 1 messuage now in the tenure of *Thomas Trymlett*; 1 tenement now in the occupation of *Henry Neale*; 1 messuage now in the tenure of *William Breadstrete*; 1 tenement in the occupation of *Thomas Poole*; 1 messuage in the tenure of *George Sparrowe*; 1 tenement in the occupation of *Richard*

Robertes; 1 messuage in the tenure of *Thomas Okeman*; 1 messuage in the tenure of *William Parker*; 1 tenement in the occupation of *Edward Hollie*; 1 messuage in the tenure of *Henry Coxe*; 1 messuage in the tenure of *John Gryffyn*; 1 tenement in the occupation of — *Muckett* widow; 1 messuage in the tenure of — *Hackins*, widow; 1 tenement in the occupation of *Thomas Draynefeild*; 1 messuage in the tenure of — *Cooke*, widow; 1 messuage in the tenure of — *Toppinge*; 1 tenement in the tenure of *Ciprian Luker*; 1 messuage now in the tenure of *James Willyams*; 1 messuage in the tenure of *Anne Fulwood*, widow; and one stable in the tenure of *Rowland Wodbridge*: which said messuage and shop are situate at the west end of the lane called Longe Lane within the parish of St. Sepulchre in the suburbs of the City of London: and all the said messuages and tenement lie in Longe Lane, aforesaid in the said parish of St. Sepulchre without Newgate.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £40.

Thomas Castell died 1 January, 24 Eliz. [1582]; *Alice Crewes*, wife of *Lancelot Crewes*, is his kinswoman and next heir, viz., daughter of *Thomas Castell*, senior, father of the said *Francis Castell*, father of the said *Thomas Castell* [named in the writ], and was aged 40 years and more at the time of the death of the said *Thomas Castell*.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 245, No. 53.

John Tamworth, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 November, 28 Eliz. [1585], before *Stephen Slany*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Tamworth*, esq., by the oath of *Thomas Seawell*, *William Crowche*, *Oliver Skynner*, *Edward Pilsworth*, *Robert Durrant*, *Stephen Porter*, *Robert Saunders*, *Edward Katcher*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Richard Milles*, *James Tailor*, *Christopher Askwith*, *Henry Earsley* and *William Harvy*, who say that

John Tamworth was seised in his demesne as of fee tail, to him and the heirs male of his body of 1 capital messuage in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldesgate in the suburbs of the City of London; 15 other messuages, 14 gardens and 2 alleys in the said parish of St. Botolph; the manor of Norton in co. Radnor and divers lands and tenements in Norton; the 4th part of a house newly built upon a close called St. Mary Close in Clerkenwell in co. Middlesex, and upon the

high way lying in a certain street called St. John's Street in Clerkenwell; the 4th part of the ground whereupon the said house is built; and the 4th part of the water course and viaduct there.

The said *John Tamworth* and *Dorothy* his wife were seised to them and the heirs of the said *Dorothy* in right of the said *Dorothy* of the reversion after the death of *Elizabeth Mullyns*, wife of *Michael Mullyns*, knight, of the moiety of all that lordship or manor of Sherfield Super Lodon in co. Southampton and certain lands in Sherfield called Downes Landes; and of the reversion after the death of the said *Elizabeth* of the manors of Cardington and Escottes in co. Bedford, except 2 water mills late in the tenure of *John Wolriche*, and certain closes or pastures called Longfeildes and Huntresfeilds in Cardington and Escottes.

The said *John* and *Dorothy* were seised in their demesne as of fee, to them and the heirs of the said *Dorothy* in her right of the said 2 water mills and the said closes or pastures called Longfeilds and Huntresfeilds, and of the whole barony of Bedford.

So seised, an indenture was made 20th October, 32 Eliz. [1590] between the said *John Tamworth* of Haltsted in co. Leicester, esq., and *Dorothy* wife of the said *John* and sole daughter and heir of *Thomas Colbie*, esq., deceased, of the one part, and *Thomas Farmor* of the Middle Temple, London, esq., and *John Lutwich* of Lincoln's Inn in co. Middlesex, gent., of the other part, whereby the said *John Tamworth* agreed that before the end of 1 year next ensuing he by fine would assure to the said *Thomas Farmer* and *John Lutwich* the lordship or manor of Hallsted and the rectory and parsonage of Tylton, and the rectories and parsonages of Halsted, Tylton and Marfield South with their rights and members, in co. Leicester, to the late dissolved Priory of Launde sometime belonging, also all those his lands and tenements in Tylton and Halsted, sometime parcel of the lands of the late dissolved monastery of St. James near Northampton, the advowsons, gifts and rights of patronage of the vicarages of the parish Churches of Halsted and Tylton, and all the messuages, mills, lands, commons, woods, tithes, rents, fees, leets, &c., &c., in Halsted, Tilton, Marfield South and Whadboroughe in co. Leicester: and that by another fine he would assure to them all the barony of Bedford and the manors of Cardington and Escottes *alias* Cotton, lying in the fields, parishes and precincts of Cardington in co. Bedford, and the several fishings in the water and river of Owse on both sides of the said river as well in Newenham *ats* Newneham as in Cardington Escotes *ats* Cotton, Fenlake and Harowden, and all the messuages, mills, farms, lands, rents, woods, commons, waters, rivers, fishings, warrens, courts leet, &c., &c.,

lying in Cardington, &c., or elsewhere in England wherein the said *Dorothy* has any right in possession or remainder; the moiety of the lordship or manor of Sherfield *ats* Shirfield upon Lodon in co. Southampton, and the moiety of all the messuages, lands, warren, park, "deare," rents, &c., to the said manor of Sherfield belonging, together with the moiety of those lands and tenements in Sherfield called Downes, and all other the messuages, lands and tenements in Sherfield, Brameley, Basing, Cowich, Silchester, Stratford Saye, — Stratfield Mortymer, Turgis, Hartley, Odyham and Rotherwick in co. Southampton, late the inheritance of the said *Thomas Colbye*. And it is further agreed that the said *Thomas Fermor* and *John Lutwich* and their heirs shall be seised of the said premises to the uses following, *viz.*, all the lands in Halsted and Tylton hereafter particularly mentioned, that is, the close or pasture called the Lounde late in the tenure of *Thomas Cotton*, esq., the field or pasture called the Sladfeild late in the tenure of *Valentyne Allen*, *George Lightfoote* and *Thomas Stanford*, the field called the Brooke field late in the occupation of *Roger Smythe*, esq., the field called Newfeild in the tenure of the said *Thomas Cotton*—to the use of the said *Dorothy Tamworth* for her natural life for her jointure. And as to all the residue of the said lordship and manor of Halsted and the parsonages of Halsted and Tylton, and all other the messuages, lands and tenements there—to the use of the said *Dorothy* during her natural life; and after her decease then as to all the said premises so limited to the said *Dorothy* to the use of the said *John Tamworth* for his life; after his decease, to the use of *Arthur Tamworth*, 2nd son of the said *John* and *Dorothy*, and of the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of such other son of the said *John* and *Dorothy* as shall be born and the heirs male of his body; for default, then to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *John Tamworth* by any other wife whom he shall marry after the decease of the said *Dorothy*; for default, to the use of *Colbie Tamworth* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the first son of the body of *Henry Tamworth*, brother of the said *John*, and of the heirs male of his body; for default, then to the use successively in tail male of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th sons of the said *Henry*; for default, to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *Henry*; for default, to the use of the 1st son of the body of *Christopher Tamworth*, another of the brothers of the said son and of his heirs male; for default, then to the use successively in tail male of the 2nd to the 6th sons of the said *Christopher*; for default, to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *Christopher*; for default, to the use of the heirs female of the bodies of the said *John* and *Dorothy*; for default, to the use of the

heirs of their bodies; and lastly, for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *John Tamworth* for ever, provided always that if the said *John* and *Arthur Tamworth* shall die without heirs male of their bodies, the said *Dorothy* being alive, that then the said fines concerning the said premises in co. Leicester shall be and the cognizees therein shall be seised of the close called Tamworth close late in the tenure of *John Frysbye*, the close called Honye land near to the Pynfold in Halsted in the tenure of *Anne Turnor*, widow, a close called Paradize late in the tenure of *John Walker*, and 1 close called the Cawsey close in Halsted and of the tithes of corn and grain in Halsted, Tylton and Marfield to the use of the said *Dorothy* for her life and afterwards to the uses before mentioned [here follows numerous other agreements and provisoes].

Afterwards, to wit, in the octaves of St. Martin, 33 Eliz. [1590], the said *John* and *Dorothy* by fine conveyed the moiety of the manor of Sherfeild super Loden . . .¹ and Escotes and the barony and other the premises in co. Bedford and the said mills . . . and the heirs of the said *Thomas* for ever: which said fine was levied to the uses specified in the said indenture. . . .

The said *John Tamworth* was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor or lordship of Halsted in co. Leicester and of divers lands and tenements in Halsted, Tylton, Marfield South and Whatborough in co. Leicester.

So seised, an indenture was made 23 December, 33 Eliz. [1590], between the said *John Tamworth* of Halsted and the said *Thomas Fermor* and *John Lutwich*, whereby after reciting the said Indenture of 20 October, 32 Eliz., the said *John* agrees that he before the end of 1 whole year by fine will convey to the said *Thomas Fermor* and *John Lutwich* the said last mentioned premises, and the rectories and parsonages of Halsted, Tylton, Marefield South and Whatborough, and all the messuages, lands, mills, &c., &c., thereto belonging, to the use of the said *Dorothy Tamworth* wife of the said *John* for her natural life in the name of her jointure, with remainders as above. [The provisoes cover 2 very large membranes.]

The said *Arthur Tamworth* died at London in the lifetime of the said *John* without issue of his body.

The messuage and other the premises in London are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, during the life of a certain *Christiana Tamworth*, widow, 1 grain of pepper and not more by reason of a prior demise thereof made to the said *Christiana*, and after her decease they will be worth per ann., clear, £13 6s. 8d., of

¹ Illegible.

whom or by what service the 4th part of the house and o her the premises in co. Middlesex are held the jurors know not : they are worth per ann., clear, 12*d*. The moiety of the manor of Sherfield and of other the premises in co. Southampton is held of the Queen in chief by the great serjeanty of being marshall of the courtesans (meretricibz) in the King's household, and of dismembering condemned malefactors and of measuring the gallons and bushells in the King's household, and is worth during the life of the said *Elizabeth Mullins*, who still survives, nothing, and after her decease it will be worth per ann., clear, 66*s*. 8*d*. The manors of Cardington and Escottes, the said barony and other the premises in co. Bedford are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth, except the said mills and closes called Longfield and Huntresfield, during the life of the said *Dorothy* nothing, and after her decease £13 6*s*. 8*d*. The said mills and closes in co. Bedford are worth per ann., clear, £6 13*s*. 4*d*. The manor of Norton and other the premises in co. Radnor are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £45. The manor of Halsted and other the premises in co. Leicester are held of the Queen in chief by the rooth part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., during the lifetime of the said *Dorothy*, nothing, and afterwards £67.

John Tamworth died at London 18 February, 36 Eliz. [1594], the said *Colbie Tamworth* is his only son and next heir, and was aged 8 years on the 7th day of April last past.

The said *Dorothy Tamworth* still survives.

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Thomas Whitebrooke, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 5 January, 38 Eliz. [1596], before *Stephen Slany*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Whitebrooke*, gent., by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvie*, *William Crowche*, *Hugh Leighe*, *James Robinson*, *Hugh Ingraham*, *Robert Durant*, *Robert Saunders*, *Stephen Porter*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Richard Milles*, *Henry Best* and *Henry Earsley*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Thomas Whitebrooke*, a certain *Thomas Lownde*, late citizen and grocer of London, deceased, grandfather of the said *Thomas Whitebrooke*, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage or hospice, called the George in Lumberdstreete in the parish of St. Edmund ; 2 messuages situate in the said

parish of St. Edmund on the west part of the said capital messuage; 2 other messuages in the said parish of St. Edmund on the east part of the said capital messuage, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Decreo* (?); 1 messuage with sollars, cellars, buildings, &c., called the Corner Howse and now called the Signe of the Bell, lying in the parish of St. Mary Magdalene, London, at the end of the street called Milkestreete, and in the street called Cheapside on the west side of the said Milkestreete, late in the tenure of *Leonard Docester*; 1 garden with a house built thereupon, lying in the parish of St. Giles without Creplegate, London, late in the tenure of *Rowland Watson*.

So seised, the said *Thomas Lownde* made his will the 17th day of May, 7 Edw. 6 [1553], and thereby bequeathed the said tenements to *Catherine*, then his wife, for the term of her life, the remainder, after her decease to *Margaret Lownde*, daughter of the said *Thomas*, and to the heirs of her body; for default, the remainder thereof to the Mayor and Chamberlain of the City of London and to the governors of the Hospital of St. Bartholomew in West Smithfield and their successors for ever for the relief and maintenance of the poor in the said hospital.

Afterwards the said *Thomas Lownde* died so seised in London, after whose death the said *Katherine* entered into the said premises. While the said *Katherine* was so thereof seised the said *Margaret* married *John Whitebrooke*, gent., and they had issue the said *Thomas Whitebrooke* (named in the writ) and *John Whitebrooke*.

The said *Margaret* died 21 November, 22 Eliz. [1579], after her death the said remainder descended to the said *Thomas Whitebrooke* as her son and heir.

The said *Thomas* died within the age of 21, without issue of his body, during the lifetime of the said *Katherine*, after whose death the said remainder descended to the said *John Whitebrooke*, junior, as brother and next heir of the said *Thomas*.

The said *Katherine* died 12 August, 34 Eliz. [1592], and after her death all the said premises descended to the said *John Whitebrooke*, junior.

The capital messuage called the George in Lumbertstreet and the messuages lying on the west and east sides thereof are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £8. The messuage called the Corner House, now the Sign of the Bell in Milkstreet is held in free burgage, and is worth per ann., clear, £4. The garden with the house thereupon built in the parish of St. Giles without Creplegate are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d.

Thomas Whitebrooke died 8 August, 29 Eliz. [1587], the said *John Whitebrooke*, junior, is his brother and next heir, and was then aged 13 years and 7 months.

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Hester Wotton.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 December, 39 Eliz. [1596], before *Thomas Skynner*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Hester Wotton*, late the wife of *Edward Wotton*, esq., now knight, by the oath of *Thomas Sewell*, *William Crouch*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Robert Durant*, *Michael Crouche*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Richard Mylles*, *Henry Best*, *John Adlyn*, *Edward Catcher*, *Henry Earsley*, *James Fell*, *Peter Noxon*, *Edward Pilsworthe*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Saunders*, *Christopher Askwithe* and *William Harvie*, who say that

Hester Wotton long before and at the time of her death was seised in her demesne as of fee-tail, viz. to her and the heirs of her body of 1 large messuage situate in the street called St. Mary at Axe, late in the parish of the Blessed Mary at Axe and now in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft within the City of London, and 1 large garden thereto adjoining, which said messuage and garden were in the occupation of the said *Edward Wotton* at the time of the death of the said *Hester*; 1 other messuage and 1 cottage in the said street, and 1 garden thereto adjoining lying on the north part of the said large messuage; a certain parcel of land now being a garden and orchard, late in the said parish of St. Mary at Axe and now in that of St. Andrew Undershaft lying on the south part of the said large messuage, upon which said parcel of land, now a garden and orchard, 3 messuages with gardens and orchards, yards and wells belonging to the said messuages were situated, and were formerly in the tenure of *Thomas Wittingham*, citizen, barber-surgeon and surgeon of London, and are now in that of the said *Edward Wotton*, knight; also the house and site of the late abbey or monastery of *Bella Landa* alias *Byland* in *Biland* in co. York, now dissolved, and all the messuages, houses, granges, stables, barns, &c., &c., within the site and precinct of the said abbey; 1 water mill within the site of the said late monastery, and 1 small close of land to the said mill adjoining, containing by estimation 2½ a., and 1 dovecote being within the said close; 1 close of land called *Backhowse garth*, containing 3 a. to the said mill adjoining; 1 other close of land and pasture called *Bailiff Ing.* containing 2 a.; 1 close of land, meadow and pasture called *Thabbott Ing.* containing 3 a.; 1 close of land and

pasture called Waitgarth, containing 2 a.; 1 close of land and pasture called Banke Ing, containing $4\frac{1}{2}$ a.; 1 house or cottage called Caltarhouse and 2 closes of land thereto adjacent; 1 meadow called Caltarhowse Ing, containing 4 a.; 1 meadow called Appulgarth containing 4 a.; 1 orchard and 1 small close of land, closely adjoining the said orchard, containing 1 a.; 1 meadow called Hol Ing, containing 6 a.; 1 close of land or pasture called Horse londe, containing 3 a.; 1 meadow called Chappell garth containing $1\frac{1}{2}$ a.; 1 close of land or pasture called Rede Myers containing 3 a.; 1 close of land and pasture called the Orchard, containing 8 a., adjoining the room which was late of the Abbot of the said monastery; 1 close of land called Southseller Ing, containing $2\frac{1}{2}$ a.; 1 close of land called Smithie garth containing 1 a. in the parish of Cuckolde in the said county of York; 1 messuage called Newhowse in the said parish of Cuckolde, with all the orchards, gardens, curtilages, lands, waters, fishings, &c., in the said parish of Cuckolde or elsewhere to the said messuage in any way belonging; 1 close of land called Newlathfeild containing 40 a.; 1 meadow called Cloughkeldbuske containing 3 a.; 1 close of land and pasture called Conygarthfeld containing 20 a.; 1 close of pasture called Conygarth leez containing 10 a.; 1 close of land called Litlefeilde containing 4 a., 1 small close of waste land containing $\frac{1}{2}$ a. to the said close called Litlefelde adjoining; 1 close of pasture called Render Close containing 5 a., and 1 close of land called Synkliffe close containing $1\frac{1}{2}$ a. in the said parish of Cuckolde; 2 fishings in the rivers called Kilbourne River and Synkliffe River in the parish of Kilbourne and Cuckolde in the said county; 2 small messuages or cottages there and 1 small close of land thereto adjoining containing $\frac{1}{2}$ a. of land in the said parishes; 1 close of land and pasture called Hogesons wiffes close containing 4 a.; 1 close of arable land called Tiler Marre containing 5 a.; 1 close of land called Olestedfeilde, containing 10 a. of land; 1 meadow called Helome Ing, containing 13 a.; 1 wood called Helome Hagge; 1 wood called Hoode Hagge; 1 wood called Lymekyln Hagge with the lands and grounds of the said woods in the said parish of Cuckolde; 1 close of pasture called Turnpyngstanke containing 1 a.; 1 meadow called Stanke containing 2 a.; 1 meadow called Thourneclose containing 3 a.; 1 wood called Thabbye Banke; 1 wood called Pipedale; 1 wood called Londe Banke; 1 wood called Duckedale; 1 wood called Kydderstie banke; 1 wood called Cheritree Slake; 1 wood called Esshet; 1 wood called Wane parke, 1 wood or le Skare, called great Burtostis; 1 small wood or le Hagge called Calff Parke; 1 other wood called Robinsons Hagge; 1 wood called Sproxton Hagge; and 1 large wood called le Parke with all the lands and grounds of the same lying in the said parish of Cuckolde;

1 meadow called Skymerlande, containing $3\frac{1}{2}$ a.; 1 meadow called Benfelde containing 5 a.; 1 close of land called great Lawnde containing 11 a.; 1 meadow called le Holte containing 8 a.; 1 meadow called Walkemill damme containing 4 a.; all the wood called Westhagge containing 20 a.; and 1 wood called Came shed containing 4 a., together with all the lands and grounds of the said woods in the said parish of Cuckolde; also the grange and tenement called Newsted grange in the said parish of Kilbourne, with all the lands, tenements, meadows, &c., to the said grange belonging; 1 close of land called Calfe close containing 2 a.; 1 close of land and pasture called Mere close containing 40 a.; 1 close of land and pasture containing 5 a. at le Washing Stane; 1 close of land called Litlefeilde containing 7 a., lying behind the house there; 1 close of land and pasture called Rigwey Ing containing 10 a.; and all that wood called Rigwey Hagge with the land and soil of the said wood in the said parish of Kilbourne; 1 close of land and pasture called Stothill containing 8 a.; 1 close of land and meadow called Hanerfelde containing 5 a.; and all that wood called Crackling with the land and soil of the said wood in the said parish of Kilbourne; 1 close of land lying under the barns there and 1 parcel of land thereto belonging, lying within the lane there, containing 4 a.; 1 meadow called Wasse Ing and 1 wood called Est Cawcardale in the said parish of Kilbourne; 1 tenement, 1 fulling mill and 1 close of land called Walkemill close; 1 close of land called Crackling Ing; 1 close of land called High close; 1 close of land called Tenter close; 1 close of land called Laning leading towards the said late monastery; 1 other close of land called Lane Ing leading towards Cracling close; and 2 small orchards and 1 small close of land called little Tenter close, formerly demised to *Robert Roper* and *Agnes* his wife in the said parish of Cuckolde; all that tenement or grange of Est cambe in the said parish of Kilbourne, with all the lands, tenements, meadows, &c., thereto belonging; 3 closes of arable land and 1 meadow called Northte Ing; and all the other closes of land and meadow called Snawe Ing, Lathgarth, South Ing, Calff close, Bere (?) close, Stilerig Pipedale close and Abbey Banke, and all that le Hollin and common in Sneverstie, and all those closes of land lying within Thorpe and Willowses called Pill the waite Rigweye leez le Throughe Thorpe Stabling and Chafer close; 2 closes of land, meadow and pasture called lez . . . and 1 other close of land and pasture [called] Howethwaite Ing in the said parish of Kilbourne, formerly demised to *James Foxe*; all that grange or tenement called West cambe in Kilbourne, formerly demised to *James Moysier*, with all the lands, &c., therewith demised; all those closes of land called Litle Ing, Brode Ing and Dere bolte, 2 small closes of

arable land parcel of Dere bolte, 1 other close of land called Tupp-close, 1 close of pasture called Bent close, 1 parcel of land called Smithie Grene in Cawkardale Hagges, and all that wood called West-cawkardale with the commons thereof in Kilbourne aforesaid; 1 messuage called Cowhowse situate in Oldstede in the said parish of Kilborne; 1 meadow called Barbourcrosse, containing 3 a.; 1 meadow containing 4 a., lying near and before the gate of the said messuage called Cowhowse; 1 close of land and pasture called Collierhowse close containing 5 a.; and 1 other close of land and pasture called Higheclose, containing 3 a.; 4 a. of meadow in Helome Ing; 1 small le Hagge and the wood and pasture called Maltehowse Banke and 1 other close of pasture called Cowcrosse; 1 small hill or piece of land and pasture called Skalehill; 1 close of pasture called Drape leez containing 20 a.; 1 close of pasture called Hagg leez, containing 10 a.; 1 wood called Middlebarghe containing 12 a., with the land and soil thereof, 3 a. of meadow called Helome Ing in Oldstede in Kilbourne aforesaid; all that messuage or grange called Oldstede, with the lands, &c., thereto belonging in Kilbourne aforesaid; 1 messuage called Whitestone Cote; 1 meadow lying next or near that messuage; 1 small close of land in the parish of Keyrbie in co. York; the 1st crop of 7 a. of meadow in Skaling Ing in the parish of Thirste in the said county belonging to the said tenement called Whitestone Cote; all that messuage called Old Byland Cote in the parish of Old Bylande in the said county; 1 close of land called Gylgarthes; 1 close of pasture called Lounne close; 1 close of land and meadow called Tuppinge, 1 close of land and pasture lying in 3 several parcels called Essheburie Crosse and the 1st crop of $1\frac{1}{2}$ a. of meadow within the close called Raines, and with pasture for 4 beasts, and all the common there in the said parish of Old Bilande, with all the lands, &c., to the said messuage called Old Bilande Cote belonging; all those woods and underwoods called Essheburie Hagges and Raines in the said parish of Old Bilande; all that messuage called Cornemill in the town of Old Bilande; 1 close of land and pasture called Curdall Inges; 1 messuage near the cemetery of Old Bilande together with 1 toft and 1 croft thereto adjoining; 1 close of land and meadow called Marle Ing; 1 close of land and meadow called Skawton Ing; 2 closes of land and pasture called leez Raynes; all that wood and woodland called le Raynes, and of land and wood called Kidbanke; all that wood called le Hagge, with the land and soil of the same; 1 half acre of meadow in Toune Inne (?) closes, and 1 parcel of meadow in Oxendale, in Old Bylande, together with pasture for 1 beast in the Ox pasture, and half 1 bovat of land in each field there, together with common of pasture to the said premises belonging, all those lands,

meadows, woods, &c., formerly demised to *Robert Powton* being now or late in his tenure in the town of Old Bylande; 1 meadow called le fiftene acres lying in le Flatt in a certain field called le Estfeilde of Iselbecke in the parish of Thurkilbie (?); all those lands called le leez late in the tenure of *William Fulthorpe* in the parish of Thurkilbie aforesaid; the manor of Oswaldkirke in co. York; 12 messuages, 20 cottages, 3 tofts, 1 dovecote, 10 barns, 34 gardens, 10 orchards, 100 a. of land, 50 a. of meadow, 150 a. of pasture, 200 a. of wood, 200 a. of furze and heath and 10s. rent in Oswaldkirke and Stangrave; and common of pasture for all beasts there; 10 a. of land, and 8 a. of meadow in Stangrave; 2 messuages, 20 a. of land, 12 a. of meadow and 40 a. of pasture in Southbourne; and 1 cottage, 1 garden, and 8 a. of land and meadow in Bidlonne.

So seised, the said *Hester* had issue by the said *Edward Wootton* her husband, *Pickeringe Wootton*, *Thomas Wootton* and *Philippa Wootton* now the wife of *Edward Bacon*, esq., who still survive at London.

The large messuage and the large garden thereto adjoining lying in the street called St. Mary at Axe and now in the said parish of St. Andrew Undershaft are held of the Queen in chief, viz., by the 10th part of 1 knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 5s. 3d., and are worth per ann., clear, £4. The other messuage and 1 cottage and 1 garden in the said parish are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The said parcel of land now an orchard and the 3 messuages thereupon built in the said parish are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The house and site of the said late Abbey or monastery of Bellalanda *alias* Bilande and all the said manors, granges, lands, woods, &c., in Cuckolde, Kilbourne, Kirbie, Thurske, Old Bilande and Thurkelbie are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 10th part of a knight's fee, and paying yearly for the said house and site, the tenement called Newhowse, the grange, messuage and tenement of Estcambe and Westcambe, the grange called Oldestede Cote, the tenement called Cowhouse, and all the said messuages, lands, &c., in Cuckolde and Kilbourne 74s. 11d.; for the said tenement called Whitestone Cote and the said lands thereto belonging 2s.; for the messuage called Olde Bilande and the lands thereto belonging, and the wood called Assheburie Hagge 4s.; for the messuage called Corne-mill and the lands thereto belonging and the wood called le Raines in Old Bilande 6s.; for the said meadow called leez fiftene acres, and le leez in Iselbecke in the said parish of Thurkilbie 4s. The said house and site of the said late abbey of Bella landa, and all the granges,

messuages, lands, &c., in Cuckolde, Kilbourne, Kirbye, Thurske, Old Bilande and Thurkilbie are worth per ann., clear, £38. The manor of Oswalkirke, and the said 10 messuages, &c., in Oswaldkirke and Stangrave, the common of pasture for all beasts in Oswaldkirke and Blackmore and the advowson of the Church of Oswaldkirke are held of *Edward Earl of Rutland* by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £13 6s. 8d. The 10 a. of land, &c., in Stangrave are held of the Queen as of her manor of Stangrave by fealty and rent, and are worth per ann., clear, 5s. The premises in Southbourne are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service and are worth per ann., clear, £3 7s. 8d.

Hester Wootton died 8 May, 34 Eliz.; the said *Pickeringe Wootton* is her son and next heir, and was then aged 9 years and more. Immediately after the death of the said *Hester* the said *Edward Wootton* entered into all the said premises and was thereof seised in his demesne as of free tenement for the term of his life by the "curtisie of Englande" and took and still takes the profits thereof: the said *Edward* still survives in London.

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Peter Osborne, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 6 April, 39 Eliz. [1597], before *Henry Billingsley*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of Peter Osborne, esq., by the oath of *William Harvy*, *John Jennynge*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Robert Saunders*, *Peter Noxon*, *Henry Best*, *Richard Milles*, *Michael Crowche*, *George Holman*, *Henry Earsley*, *Humphrey Heoper*, *William Chambers*, *Richard Blinckhorne*, *Thomas Pulford* and *Nicholas Askwith*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Peter Osborne* one *Edward Snowe* of Hawnes in co. Bedford, gent., was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that house and site of the late monastery of Chicksand *alias* Chixsand *alias* Chicksandes in the said county, and of all the Church, belfrey and cemetery of the said late monastery, all the lordship and manor of Chickesond in the said county, and all the messuages, houses, meadows, woods, tithes, mills, waters, &c., &c., in Chicksand and Deane in the said county to the said monastery belonging; all that grange, farm and tenement called Hawnez graunge in the said county; all the rectory and Church of Hawnez in the said county; the advowson, gift and right of patronage of the said Church; and all the messuages, lands, mills, waters, &c., &c., in Hawnes to the said grange and monastery belonging; all that wood and land called Awferney Wood in

the parish of Hawnes, to the said monastery of Chicksand belonging; and the reversion and remainder of all the said premises.

So seised, the said *Edward Snow*, by deed dated 17 May, 29 Eliz. (the licence of the said Queen first had and obtained), for divers considerations therein mentioned, granted all the said premises to the said *Peter Osborne* and to *John Osborne*, esq., his son, and their heirs for ever: by virtue whereof full possession and seisin of the said premises was delivered to the said *John Osborne* on the 20th day of May in the said 29th year.

Afterwards, viz., on the Morrow of Holy Trinity, 29 Eliz., a fine was levied of the said premises between the said *Peter Osborne* and *John Osborne*, plts., and the said *Edward Snowe* and *Emma* his wife and *Richard Smyth*, gent., and *Mary* his wife, deforciants, of the said premises, whereupon the said *Edward* and *Emma* and *Richard* and *Mary* acknowledged the said manor, site and tenements in Chicksand, Deane and Hawnes to be the right of the said *Peter* and the same remised to the said *Peter* and *John* and the heirs of the said *Peter* for ever: which said fine so levied was to the use of the said *Peter* and *John Osborne* and their heirs for ever, as by a certain indenture dated 20 May, 29 Eliz., more fully appears: by virtue of which said premisses the said *Peter* and *John* entered into the said premises, and were thereof seized in their demesne as of fee.

Afterwards, viz. on the 7th day of June, 34 Eliz. [1592], the said *Peter Osborne* died, and the said *John* was solely seised of the said premises in his demesne as of fee.

The said *Peter Osborne* and a certain *Richard Josua* of Maldon in co. Essex, gent., were seised in their demesne as of fee of the manor of Southfambridge in co. Essex, and of the advowson, gift and right of patronage of the Rectory and Church of Southfambridge; and being so seised, the said *Richard* by deed dated at Maldon, 11 February, 3 Eliz. [1561], granted, released and quitclaimed to the said *Peter Osborne* and his heirs all his right, title and interest in the said manor and advowson, by pretext whereof the said *Peter* was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee.

The said *Peter* long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of all those tenements situate in Westcheape in the parishes of St. Mary Colchurch and St. Martin in Iremonger Lane, London, one whereof was late in the occupation of *John Blackman* and is now in the tenure of *Robert Cutte*, another was late in the occupation of *Thomas Muffett* and is now in that of *William Lynacre*, and another was late in the occupation of *Cuthbert Beeston* and is now in the tenure of *Thomas Bacon*; also of the reversion and remainder of the manor of

Lachingdon Barnes *alias* Purley Barnes in the said county of Essex after the death of *John Latham*, gent., who still survives, and for default of issue male of the body of the said *John Latham* lawfully begotten.

So seised, the said *Peter* made a certain indenture of 7 parts, dated 4 July, 30 Eliz. [1588], between himself of the first part; *Hugh Broughton* of London, preacher, *William Fowler* of Harnedje Graunge in co. Salop, esq., *Richard Fowler*, son and heir apparent of the said *William Fowler*, *Francis Blythe*, *Ambrose Rowse*, esqrs., and *John Astell* of Grays Inn, gent., of the 2nd part; *John Osborne*, gent., son and heir apparent of the said *Peter*, of the 3rd part; *Christopher Osborne*, 2nd son of the said *Peter*, of the 4th part; *Henry Osborne*, 3rd son of the said *Peter*, of the 5th part; *Richard Osborne*, another of the sons of the said *Peter*, of the 6th part, and *Thomas Osborne*, another of the sons of the said *Peter*, of the 7th part, witnessing that in consideration of the marriage already solemnised between the said *Peter Osborne* and *Anne* now his wife, and for part of a convenient jointure to be assured to the said *Anne* for her natural life, if she overlive the said *Peter*, and for the better advancement in living of the said *Christopher*, *Henry*, *Richard*, and *Thomas Osborne*, younger sons of the said *Peter*, and of the heirs of their bodies, it is covenanted and agreed to between the said parties as follows: the said *Peter* for him and his heirs promises the said *Hugh Broughton*, *William Fowler* and others that immediately after the en-sealing hereof he will stand seised of the manor of Southfambridge and of the advowson, presentation and right of patronage of the Rectory and Church of Southfambridge, and of all the messuages, houses, mills, barns, orchards, tithes, lands, meadows, woods, rents, &c., situate growing or coming in the town, parish, fields or hamlets of Southfambridge, and also of all those tenements lying in Westcheape in the parish of St. Mary Colchurch and St. Martin in Iremonger Lane, and of all shops, cellars, sollars, warehouses, chambers, windows, lights, courts, &c., to the said 3 houses belonging; and of the reversion, remainder and inheritance of the manor of Lachingdon Barnes in co. Essex: of which said manor of Lachingdon Barnes *alias* Purley Barnes the said *Peter Osborne* stands seised in fee simple in reversion or remainder now expectant upon certain uses, estates or limitations mentioned in a pair of indentures tripartite dated 10 January, 15 Eliz. [1573], made between *John Latham* of Sandon in co. Essex, gent., of the 1st part, the said *Peter Osborne* of the 2nd part, and *Sir Thomas Wrothe* of Enfield in co. Middlesex, knight, and *Robert Creswell* of London, esq., of the 3rd part; and of all other the messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments of the said *Peter Osborne* in the parishes of Lachingdon and Purley, to the uses following, *viz.*, of the said manor of Southfambridge

and all other the premises there, to the use of the said *Peter* and the said *Anne* his wife for their natural lives, and the life of the longer liver of them, without impeachment of waste; and after their several deceases, then of one 4th part of the said manor and premises, to the use of the said *Christopher Osborne* and of the heirs of his body lawfully begotten; and for default, to the use of the said *Henry, Richard* and *Thomas Osborne* and of the heirs of their bodies: and of one other 4th part of the said manor and premises, to the use of the said *Henry Osborne* and the heirs of his body; and for default, to the use of the said *Christopher, Richard* and *Thomas Osborne* and of the heirs of their bodies: and of 1 other 4th part of the said premises, to the use of the said *Richard Osborne* and the heirs of his body; and for default to the use of the said *Christopher, Henry* and *Thomas Osborne* and the heirs of their bodies: and of one other 4th part of the said manor and premises, to the use of the said *Thomas Osborne* and the heirs of his body; and for default to the use of the said *Christopher, Henry* and *Richard Osborne* and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Peter Osborne* for ever. And of the said 3 houses in London, to the use of the said *Peter Osborne* during his natural life; and after his decease, to the use of *John Osborne*, son and heir apparent of the said *Peter*, and of the heirs of the said *John* for ever. And of the reversion and inheritance of the said manor of Lachingdon Barnes and of all other the messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments of the said *Peter* in Lachingdon and Purley, to the use of the said *Peter* for his natural life; and after his decease, to the use of the said *John Osborne* and his heirs for ever; provided nevertheless that it may be lawful for the said *Peter* at any time at his pleasure by one or more writings to alter, determine, diminish or enlarge any uses, limitations or intents herein comprised.

After the decease of the said *Peter*, the said *Anne Osborne* entered into the said manor of Southfambridge and is still thereof seised in her demesne as of free tenement, the remainder thereof as above.

Long before his death, the said *Peter Osborne* was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that messuage called le White Harte situate in Westcheape in the parish of St. Mary Colchurch in London, now or late in the tenure of *Annabell Baye*, widow; and so seised, the said *Peter* and *Anne* his wife by deed dated 4 July, 30 Eliz. [1588], enfeoffed thereof *Hugh Broughton* of London, preacher, *William Fowler* of Harnedge Graunge in co. Salop, esq., *Richard Fowler*, son and heir apparent of the said *William, Francis Blyth*, esq., *Ambrose Rowse*, esq., and *John Astell* of Greys Inn, gent., and their heirs for ever: to hold to them and their heirs for ever to the use of the said *Peter Osborne*

during his natural life; and after his decease, to the use of *John Osborne*, son and heir apparent of the said *Peter*, and his heirs for ever, as by the said deed acknowledged before *William Fleetwood*, esq., serjeant-at-law, and Recorder of the City of London and *Henry Prannell* one of the Aldermen of the said City on the 19th day of July, 30 Eliz. [1588], and enrolled in the Hustings of the pleas of land held in the Guildhall, London, on Monday next after the feast of St. Mildred the Virgin in the said 30th year, more fully appears.

The house and site of the said late monastery of Chicksande and the said lordship and manor of Chicksand in co. Bedford are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee and by the yearly rent of £4 10s. 1d., and are worth per ann., clear, £45 0s. 10d. The grange or farm and tenement called Hawnes Grange in the said county are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee, and by the yearly rent of 20s. 5½d., and is worth per ann., clear, £8 16s. 6¼d. The said rectory of Hawnes in the said county is held of the Queen in chief by the service of the [blank] part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £4 17s. 10d. The said wood called Awferney Wood in Hawnes is held of the Queen by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, 10s.

The manor of Southfambridge and the advowson of the rectory and Church of the same in co. Essex is held of the Queen in chief by the service of the [blank] part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £8.

The 3 tenements in Westcheap are held in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The manor of Lachingdon Barnes, alias Purley Barnes in co. Essex, is held of the said *Christopher Osborne* as of his manor of Northfambridge by the yearly rent of 12s. and suit at court, and is worth per ann., when it shall happen, 33s. 4d. The said messuage called le White Harte in Westcheap, London, is held of the Queen in chief by the [blank] part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 66s. 8d.

The said *Peter Osborne* died 7 Iune, 34 Eliz. [1592]; *John Osborne*, esq., is his son and heir, and was then aged 38 years.

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Stephen Porter, citizen and grocer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 9 April, 39 Eliz. [1597], before *Henry Billingsley*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Stephen Porter*, citizen and grocer of London, by the oath of *William*

Harvy, William Crowche, Edward Osborne, Thomas Jennynghes, Andrew Feilde, Cuthbert Lee, Robert Sawnders, Peter Noxton, Christopher Askwith, Henry Best, Richard Milles, Michael Crowche, George Holman, Henry Earsley, Richard Blinckhorne, Nicholas Askwith and Thomas Pulforde, who say that

Stephen Porter long before and at the time of his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of the reversion of 1 messuage and of 1 garden thereto belonging in the parish of St. Sepulchre in the tenure of *Jane Baesh*, widow; the reversion of one other mesuage in the said parish, formerly in the tenure of *John Hipworth*, gent., and now or late in that of the said *Jane Baesh*; the reversion of one other messuage in the said parish now in the tenure of *John Powell*, yeoman; the reversion of one other messuage lying in the said parish, now in the tenure of *Lancelot Browne*, M.D.; the reversion of one other messuage in the said parish, now in the tenure of *William Kingesfeilde*, freemason; the reversion of 1 tenement in the said parish, now in the occupation of *Mathew Lowe*, gent.; all which said premises the said *Jane Baesh* holds for the term of her life; which said *Jane* still survives.

The said *Stephen* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage situate at le Pye Corner in the said parish of St. Sepulchre without Newgate in the suburbs of London, now in the tenure of *Nicholas Stywarde*, Doctor of Laws; 1 messuage, being a corner house lying in the parish of St. Lawrence Pountney, London, now in the occupation of *Francis Lathbury*; 3 messuages being in the said parish of St. Lawrence Pountney, formerly in the several tenures of *Gartrude Bartholmewe* and *Elizabeth Whitmore*, widow, and now in those of *William Lardge*, *William Massam* and *Anthony Morgan*; 8 messuages and 4 gardens lying in the street called Grub Street in the parish of St. Giles without Criplegate, London, now in the several tenures of *John Clarke*, *John Clyfford*, — *Parkins*, *Christopher Jeninges*, — *Fearfaxe*, and *Widow Skelton*; 1 messuage situate in a certain lane called Foster Lane in the parish of St. Michael at le Quearne, London, now in the tenure of *Francis Edwardes*, goldsmith; 1 old house, called an "old Backe rome or Backhouse," to the said messuage adjoining in the said parish of St. Michael, now in the tenure of the said *Stephen Porter* at the time of his death; 1 messuage and 2 a. of arable land lying in the parish of Berkinge in co. Essex, now in the tenure of *John Streaton*; 1 messuage newly built with 2 crofts of arable land containing 4 a. of land, lying on the west side of Galestrete in the said parish of Berkinge, now in the tenure of — *Gibbes*; 2 messuages, formerly 1 messuage, in the said parish of Berkinge, now in the occupations of *George Everis* and *William Emerye*; 2 a. of arable land lying in Ripldowne in the

parish of Daggenham in co. Essex, now in the tenure of *Henry Clarke* ; 1 croft of arable land called Holeffeild, containing 3 a. of land, formerly parcel of the land called Hedgmans yarde and late Nattockes, being in the said parish of Daggenham now in the tenure of — ; 1 a. of arable land lying in East Downe or West Downe called Shirelande in the said parish of Barkinge, now in the tenure of the said *Henry Clerke* ; 1 a. of marsh land lying in Riple Marshe in the said parish of Barkinge, now in the tenure of *William Stevens* ; divers parcels of arable land, containing 10 a. of land at Parselowes lane end, in the said parish of Barkinge now in the occupation of the said *William Stevens* ; 1 parcel of marsh land called Sande Creeke, containing 10 a. of land, lying in Daggenham Marsh in the said parish of Daggenham, now in the tenure of the said *William Stephens* ; 2 a. of marsh land lying in the common marsh of Daggenham in the said parish of Daggenham in the occupation of — ; 1 parcel of wood land called Bushe grove lying in the said parish of Barkinge, containing — acres of land, now in the tenure of —, lately purchased by the said *Stephen Porter* of *William Nutbrowne*, gent. ; and 1 messuage situate in Haselinge Feilde in co. Cambridge, now in the tenure of *Susan Porter*, widow.

So seised, the said *Stephen Porter* made his will the 5th day of February, 1596, as follows: I give to *Thomas Porter* my son and his heirs for ever the reversions immediately after the death of Mrs. *Jane Baeshe*, widow, of all those messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments which I lately bought of *Ralph Baeshe*, esq., lying in the parish of St. Sepulchres without Newgate in London, except the capital messuage there now in the tenure of “Mr. Doctor *Styward* Esquire Doctor of lawe”. I also give to the said *Thomas* and his heirs for ever all other my messuages, lands, &c., in the parishes of — and St. Giles without Creplegate, London. All other my messuages, lands, &c., as well freehold as copyhold, not before bequeathed, lying in the parishes of Barkinge and Daggenham in co. Essex I leave to descend to *Stephen Porter* my son and heir by course of inheritance, provided always that if the said *Stephen* or his heirs shall at any time hereafter claim the said messuages and lands hereby given to my said son *Thomas* and shall sue him (*Thomas*) for the same then I give to the said *Thomas* all my messuages and lands lying in the parish of St. Michael att Quearne in London which I lately purchased to me and my heirs for ever of *Richard Foster* and *Thomas Barnes*, gentlemen, and all that parcel of Marsh land called Sand Creekes, lying in the said parish of Daggenham, now in the occupation of *William Stevens*. I give to my mother *Susan Porter* an annuity of £10 issuing out of all my lands within this realm of England during all the term of her natural life.

To my sister *Francis Corbet* now the wife of "Mr. Dr. *Corbet*, D.D., an annuity of £10, issuing out of all my said lands, immediately after the decease of the said Dr. *Corbet* during her natural life.

Afterwards, viz., on the 10th day of February, in the said 39th year, the said *Stephen Porter* made a codicil in these words: Whereas I by my last will have given to my son *Thomas Porter* and his heirs for ever all my messuages and lands in a parish which is not set down certainly: I now for the more perfect declaration of my mind touching the same, give to him and his heirs all my messuages and lands in the parish of St. Lawrence Pountney in London, which are the premises I meant him to have.

Both the said *Suzan Porter* and *Frances Corbet* are still alive.

The said messuage at Pye Corner in the parish of St. Sepulchre without Newgate is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and is worth per ann., clear, £6. The said messuage and garden in the parish of St. Sepulchre in the occupation of *Jane Baeshe*, widow, are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, when it shall happen after the death of the said *Jane*, 20s. The tenement in the said parish in the tenure of the said *Jane* is held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and is worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Jane*, 20s. The messuage in the said parish in the tenure of *John Pouell*, yeoman, is held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and is worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Jane Baeshe*, 20s. The tenement in the said parish in the tenure of *Lancelot Browne*, M.D., is held of the Queen in like manner, and is worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Jane*, £4. The messuage in the said parish in the tenure of *William Kingesfeilde* is held of the Queen in like manner, and is worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Jane*, 13s. 4d. The tenement in the said parish in the tenure of *Matthew Lowe* is held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich by fealty only, in free socage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Jane*, 40s. The messuage called a corner house lying in the parish of St. Lawrence Pountney, now in the tenure of *Francis Lathburye*, is held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The 3 messuages in the said parish are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The 8 messuages and 4 gardens lying in Grubstreet in the parish of St. Giles without Criplegate are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free and common socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. Of whom the said mes-

suage situate in Foster lane in the parish of St. Michael at le Quearne is held the jurors know not : it is worth per ann., clear, 40s. Of whom the old room called the olde Backe room or Backhouse in the said parish of St. Michael is held is not known : it is worth per ann., clear, 6s. 8d. The messuage and 2 a. of arable land in the parish of Barking in co. Essex are held of the Queen as of her manor of Barking by fealty, suit at court and rent, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The messuage newly built with 2 crofts of arable land being on the west side of Gale street in Barking are held of the Queen as of her manor of Barking by fealty, suit at court and rent, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The 2 messuages formerly 1 messuage, in the said parish of Barking are held of the Queen as of her said manor of Barking by fealty, suit at court and rent, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The 2 a. of arable land lying in Ripledowne in the parish of Daggenham in co. Essex are held of the Queen as of her said manor of Barking by fealty, suit at court and rent and are worth per ann., clear, 3s. The croft of arable land called Holefeild is held of the Queen as of her said manor of Barking by fealty, suit at court and rent, and is worth per ann., clear, 3s. The one acre of arable land lying in East or West Downe called Shireland in Barking is held of the Queen as of her said manor of Barking by fealty, suit at court and rent, and is worth per ann., clear, 12d. The one acre of marsh lying in Riplemarsh in Barking is held of the Queen as of her said manor by fealty, suit at court and rent, and is worth per ann., clear, 3s. The divers parcels of arable land lying at Parselowes Lane in Barking are held of the Queen as of her said manor by fealty, suit at court and rent, and are worth per ann., clear, 10s. The parcel of marsh-land called Sand Creeke in Daggenham Marsh in the said parish of Daggenham is held of the Queen as of her said manor by fealty, suit at court and rent, and is worth per ann., clear, 10s. The 2 a. of marsh lying in the Riple Marsh of Daggenham are held of the Queen as of her said manor, by fealty, suit at court and rent, and are worth per ann., clear, 5s. The parcel of wood-land called Bushe grove in Barking is held of the Queen as of her said manor by fealty, suit at court and rent and is worth per ann., clear, 6s. Of whom the messuage in Haselinge Field in the parish of — in co. Cambridge is held the jurors know not : it is worth per ann., clear, 10s.

Stephen Porter died 22 February last past ; the said *Stephen Porter* is his son and next heir and was then aged 15 years and 6 months.

Cornelius Godfrey.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 February, 39 Eliz. [1597], before *Henry Billingsley*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Cornelius Godfrey*, by the oath of *William Harvie*, *William Crowche*, *John Jennynge*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *Robert Durante*, *Robert Sawnders*, *Christopher Askwithe*, *William Chambers*, *Richard Milles*, *Henry Best*, *James Tailor*, *Edward Catcher*, *Henry Earsley*, *James Felles*, *Richard Blinckorne* and *Thomas Pulforde*, who say that

Cornelius Godfrey long before and on the day of his death was seised of all that corner house, capital messuage, tenement, hospice (inn = *hospitio*) or brew-house called le George, situate in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldersgate, London, and all other messuages, houses, cottages, yards, gardens, orchards, springs (wells = *fontibus*) of water, water-courses, lights, easements, profits, &c., thereto belonging lying in the said parish, in the tenures of *William Kenyan*, *John Shawcrosse*, *John Barnesley* and *Michael* —.

The said capital messuage and all other the premises are held in free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £7.

Cornelius Godfrey died 2 November, 35 Eliz. [1593]; *Cornelius Godfrey* is his son and next heir, and is now aged 30 years and more.

John Taylor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 April, 39 Eliz. [1597], before *Henry Billingsley*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Taylor*, by the oath of *William Harvie*, *William Crowch*, *John Jenninges*, *Robert Durant*, *Andrew Feild*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Richard Kirbye*, *Christopher Askwith*, *Michael Crowche*, *Edward Katcher*, *Henry Earsley*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Richard Blinckarne*, *Thomas Pulford* and *Nicholas Askwith*, who say that

John Taylor and *Constance* his wife long before and on the day of his death were seised in their demesne as of free tenement for the terms of their lives and of the longest liver of them, the reversion thereof belonging to the said *John* and his heirs, of 1 messuage lying in the lane called Abchurch Lane in the City of London, now in the tenure of *John Cooper*; 2 other messuages situate in the parish of St. Katherine Colman in the said City, now in the tenure of *Joan Harryson*, widow; 1 other messuage within the said parish of St. Katherine Colman, now or late in the occupation of *Thomas Haydon*; 1 other messuage within

the said parish, now in the tenure of *George Bassett*; 1 other messuage within the said parish now or late in the occupation of — *Carewe*, widow; 1 other messuage in the said parish now in the tenure of *Thomas Weste*; 1 stable in the said parish, now in the tenure of *Richard Gawyn*; and 2 gardens within the said parish of St. Katherine Colman, now in the several tenures of *Richard Jackson* and *Robert Flecton*.

The said *John Taylor* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 brewhouse called Le three Kynges lying in Eastsmithfield in co. Middlesex, between the little bank called "the litle wharfe" belonging to a certain messuage called the "Redd Lyon" wherein *Nicholas Longe* lately dwelt and the messuage called "Le Katherine Wheele" in the which *Anthony Douffield* now dwells or lately dwelt, with all the bank and wharf to the said messuage called "Le three Kinges" belonging; 1 messuage called a Garnerhouse adjoining the said messuage called "Le Katherine Wheele" in Eastsmithfield, now or late in the tenure of the said *Anthony Duffield*; 1 messuage called Le Stonehouse, and 1 curtilage and 1 garden, lying opposite the brewhouse called "Le three Kinges"; 4 a. of marsh being in the great marsh called Wappinge marshe in the parish of St. Mary Mattfellow *alias* Whitechapple in co. Middlesex: which said messuages called Le three Kinges, Le Stonehouse, the curtilage, garden and 4 a. of marsh are now in the tenure of *Agnes Wood*, widow.

The said messuage in Abchurch Lane is held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 40th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £5. The 6 messuages, 1 stable and 2 gardens in the parish of St. Katherine Colman are held of the Queen in free burgage as the whole of the City of London is held, and are worth per ann., clear, £6. The brewhouse called the Three Kings, the messuage called the Garnerhouse, the messuage called the Stonehouse and the said curtilage and garden in Eastsmithfield are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 100th part of a knight's fee, and by the rent of 2s. 9d., viz., the said brewhouse and the Garnerhouse by the rent of 21d., and the Stonehouse, curtilage and garden by the rent of 12d., and are worth per ann., clear, £22 13s. 4d. Of whom the said 4 a. of marsh in Wappinge Marsh are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d.

John Taylor died within the parish of St. Michael in Cornhill in the City of London on the 4th day of this instant month of April now last past; *Robert Taylor* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 17 years, 10 months and 8 days.

The said *Constance*, late the wife of the said *John Taylor*, still survives within the said parish of St. Michael in Cornhill.

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John Cox.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 January, 40 Eliz. [1598], before *Richard Saltonstall*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *James Cox*, citizen and saddler of London, by the oath of *William Harvie*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *Hugh Ingram*, *John Jennings*, *Andrew Feilde*, *George Holman*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Michael Crowche*, *Henry Earsley*, *Edward Catcher*, *Richard Blinkerne*, *James Fell*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Richard Milles* and *Richard . . .* who say that

John Cox long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of a messuage called *Le Cocke* in the street called *Fleetstreet* in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West, London, wherein he dwelt.

So seised, the said *John Cox* as well in consideration of a marriage heretofore had between him the said *John* and *Alice* then his wife, as in consideration of a marriage then afterwards to be had between *Stephen Cox*, his son and heir apparent and *Mary Robinson* daughter of *Henry Robinson*, deceased, and for the love he bore to the said *Stephen* and the heirs of his body, and for a sufficient jointure to be made for the said *Mary*, by indenture dated 12 August, 31 Eliz., made between him, the said *John Cox*, of the one part, and *John Robinson*, citizen and mercer of London, of the other part, agreed that he and his heirs would be seised of the said messuage immediately after the marriage between the said *Stephen* and *Mary* to the use of him the said *John Cox* and *Alice* his wife for the term of their lives and of the survivor of them; and after their decease, to the use of the said *Stephen* and *Mary* and the longer liver of them; the remainder thereof to the use of the said *Stephen* and the heirs male of his body by the said *Mary*; for default, to the use of the said *Stephen* and the heirs of his body; and for default, to the use of the said *John Cox* and his heirs for ever. Afterwards the said marriage was solemnised between the said *Stephen* and *Mary*, by reason whereof and of the said indenture and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *John Cox* and *Alice* his wife and the said *Stephen Cox* and *Mary* his wife were seised of the said messuage.

Afterwards, viz., on the 15th day of August, 38 Eliz. [1596] the said *Stephen* died so seised, having issue *Stephen Cox* the younger, his son, by the said *Mary*.

The said messuage is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service,

but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

John Cox died 6 July last past ; the said *Stephen Cox*, junior, is his kinsman and heir, viz., son and heir of the said *Stephen Cox*, eldest son and heir of the said *John Cox*, and was then aged 7 years, 3 months and 8 days.

The said *Alice* and *Mary* still survive.

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Benedict Barneham, Esq.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 11 July, 40 Eliz. [1598], before *Thomas Wrothe*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., and *Richard Morgan*, gent., deputy escheator by virtue of a commission to them directed after the death of *Benedict Barneham*, esq., alderman . . . by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Hugh Ingram*, *John Jeninges*, *Richard Durant*, *Clement Buck*, *Peter Noxton*, *Christopher Askewith*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Henry Best*, *Richard Kirkby*, *Edward Katcher*, *Richard Mills*, *Henry Earsley*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Richard Crayford*, *Richard Blinckhorne*, and *William Abbott*, who say that

Benedict Barneham, esq., on the day that he died was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage wherein he then dwelt, situate in a certain lane called *St. Clement's Lane* near . . . *St. Clement* in the ward of *Langburne* in the City of *London*; and of 1 messuage called *le Shippe* lying within the parish of *St. Christopher* near *le Shambles* called *le Stockes* within the said City.

Before [the death] of the said *Benedict* one *Thomas Antrobus* was seised in his demesne as of fee of 4 messuages lying in the said lane of *St. Clement* near *Eastcheap* in the said City; also 1 capital messuage lying in the said lane; 1 other messuage there, then in the tenure of *Thomas Knowher*; 1 other messuage there, late in the tenure of *Katherine Lamley*, widow.

So seised, the said *Thomas Antrobus* by indenture dated 26 January, 3 Eliz. [1561] sold the said premises to [*Alice*] *Barneham* and the said *Benedict Barneham* to hold to the said *Alice* and *Benedict* and the heirs of the said *Benedict* for ever, by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Alice* and *Benedict* were seised of the said premises, viz., the said *Benedict* in his demesne as of fee and the said *Alice* in her demesne as of freehold for the term of her life.

Long before the death of the said *Benedict*, one *Edward Bartlett*, esq., was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called "*le signe*

of the greene dragon" situate in the parish of St. Bridget in Fleetstreet within the suburbs of the said City, and so seised, enfeofed thereof the said *Alice* and *Benedict Barneham* to hold to them and the heirs of the said *Benedict* . . . by virtue whereof they were thereof seised as above.

Before the death of the said *Benedict*, one *David Holilande* was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage, orchard and garden, lying in the parish of St. Martin Outwich in Busshoppsgatestrete in the said City, then in the occupation of . . . *Foxe*; 1 other messuage in the same parish, in the occupation of *Andrew Treuers*; 3 other messuages near adjoining in the several tenures of *Thomas Bullock*, *James Austen*, and *Richard Faulkener*, lying in the parish of St. Martin Outwich, and of other messuages lying in the said parish in a certain lane called Hamondes Alley in the occupation of divers several persons.

So seised, a fine was levied at Westminster from the day of Holy Trinity in 15 days, 30 Eliz. [1588] between the said *Alice Barneham*, widow, and the said *Benedict Barneham*, plts., and the said *David Holiland* and *Judith* his wife, deforciant, of the said premises, whereby the said *David* and *Judith* acknowledged the said tenements to be the right of the said *Alice* and *Benedict* and the same remised to them and the heirs of the said *Benedict* for ever; which said fine was levied to the use of the said *Alice* and *Benedict* and the heirs of the said *Benedict* for ever.

The said *Benedict* was also seised in his demesne as of fee of the manors of Walmeston and . . . in co. Kent, 1 windmill called Wingham mill, 24 (?) a. of land, meadow and pasture late in the tenure of *William Parker*, 22 a. of meadow and pasture called the mannor landes . . . 10 a. of land lying in or near a certain field called mill field, late in the tenure of *John Jones*, situate in Walmyston *alias* Wyelmeston *alias* Welmeston, Wingham, Preston, Elmeston, Ashe and Staple in co. Kent, the manor of Bockingfolde *alias* Bockingfelde *alias* Buckingfield in the said county of Kent, 1 park called Buckingfield parke, lying in Buckingfield, Yaldinge, Horsmondyne, Brinchley and Marden in the said county; the manor of Reade in the said county, and 2 a. of land and . . . virgate of land in Marden; 1 shop and the half of a shop in Maidstone in the said county; the manor of Westfarborne in the said county, 160 a. of land, meadow and . . . wood being in Heriotsham, Ulcum *alias* Ulcumbe, Lennam, Sandhurst and Rowelden (?) in the said county; 1 messuage called Farnborne Tenement and 60 a. of land, meadow and pasture thereto belonging, 10 a. of land late in the tenure of *Edward Ellis*, 14 a. of land and meadow lying

in Heriotsham, Ulcum, Bowtoner, Malherbe, Bromfielde and Headcorne in the said county; 1 other messuage and 110 a. of land, meadow, pasture and wood thereto belonging, being in Ulcom, Leedes, Bromfield and Heriodsham in the said county.

Before the death of the said *Benedict* a certain *Thomas Fane*, esq., was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor of Swalcliff *alias* Swacliff in the said county, and 15½ a. of land lying in Seasalter and Rake in the said county, and of the moiety of the . . . part . . . in Swacliffe and Seasalter.

So seised, the said *Thomas Fane* and *Dame Helen* his wife by indenture dated 7 October, 31 Eliz. [1589], sold all the said premises last recited to the said *Alice* and *Benedict Barneham*: to hold to them and the heirs of the said *Benedict* for ever: by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Alice* and *Benedict* were seised of the said premises, *viz.*, the said *Benedict* in his demesne as of fee, and the said *Alice* in her demesne as of freehold for the term of her life.

The said *Benedict* was also seised of 1 messuage . . . lying in Paddington in co. Middlesex, and 36 a. of land 10 a. of meadow and 24 a. of pasture thereto belonging, being in . . . Kensington and Chelsey in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of *Robert Coram* and *Roger Coram*; 40 a. of land, meadow and pasture in Paddington, Kensington and Chelsey now or late in the tenure of *William Lyle*; 26 a. of land, meadow and pasture there now or late in the tenure of *John Hopkins*; 1 capital messuage called the Fa . . . lying in Chelmsford in co. Essex; 1 messuage called . . . farm, 65 a. of land, 11 a. of meadow, 78 a. of pasture, 20 a. of wood, 1 cottage and 1 orchard in Rotherwick, Hartley waspell, Hartlie Rowes, Stockmore and Wildemore in co. Southampton.

So seised the said *Benedict Barneham* made his will concerning all his goods on the 24th day of March, 39 Eliz., [1597] and thereby made *William Bretewell* and *Abraham* . . . exors, and on the 1st day of April, 40 Eliz., made his will concerning his lands and tenements, as follows: I leave for a full 3rd part of all my manors, lands, &c., all my lands called Welmeston . . . of Wolmeston lying in Wingham in co. —, and all my marshes and marsh ground thereto belonging now in the tenure of — *Parker*, and . . . containing about 10 a.; parcel of Wormeston lands, and all my land and tenement called . . . in Rotherwick in Hampshire, and all other my lands and tenements in Hampshire, and all my lands in Chelmsford in co. Essex, and all my messuage called the Shippe in the City of London so that thereof and thereby the Queen may be answered . . . duties which may happen to her by reason of the nonage of my heirs.

I give to *Dorathie* my “verie good louinge and faithfull wife” in full recompence of her dower all my manors, lands and tenements whereof at any time since my marriage with her I have been seised of any estate of inheritance, all my manor of Bockingfold in co. Kent, and all my lands, tenements and hereditaments in Bokingfold . . . Horsemonden, Brenchley, Yalden and Marden in the said county; my manor of Reade in the said county; my lands and tenements in Marden in the said county, my shop and half a shop in Maidstone; 2 parts, in 3 parts to be divided of my manor of Welmeston; and 2 parts of all my lands and tenements to the said manor belonging: to hold to the said *Dorothy* for the term of her natural life; the remainder thereof after her decease, to the heirs male of my body; for default, to the heirs female of my body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever. I give to my exors, my manor of Westfarborne in co. Kent, and all my messuages, lands and tenements in Leedes, Bramfield Harry (?) Ocham, Boughton Mathers and Headcorne . . . now or late in the several tenures of — *Bowman, Mathewe Co* . . . and — *Braye*, all my lands in Paddington and Chelsey in co. Middx. . . and reversion of all my messuages, lands and tenements in St. Clements Lane near Eastcheap in the City of London, which *Mrs. Alice Barneham* my mother holds for the term of her life, except the capital messuage . . . gallery, yards, easements, tenements and edifices hereafter in this my will mentioned; also the reversion of the messuage called the Green Dragon in Fletestreet, London, and the reversion . . . Swalcliff in co. Kent, and the advowson of the parish Church of Swalcliff, and all the messuages and lands in Swalcliff to the said manor belonging: To hold until my child unborn, if it be a man child, come to the age of 21 years, but if it be not son or if he die, then my said exors to hold the same until my daughters and the said child if a woman child come to the age of 18 years or be married, in confidence that my said exors shall receive the rents of all the said premises, deducting expenses for the repairs of the said premises and all charges and reprises out of the same, and the residue of the said rents to the use of my said daughters and the child unborn, to be equally divided amongst them. And after the said child unborn if a man child, come to the age of 21, then the said premises to remain to him and to the heirs of his body; for default, to the heirs male of my body; for default, to the heirs female of my body; and for default, to my right heirs for ever: and if the said child be a woman child, then to my said daughters and the said child and to the heirs of their body; for default, to the heirs of my body, and, for default, to my right heirs for ever.

I also give to the said *Dorathy* my wife the capital messuage wherein I and my said mother do dwell in St. Clement’s Lane, and all the

gallery, yards and tenements there which I purchased of Mr. *Antrobus*, and all the edifices, yards, profits and comodities thereto belonging: to hold immediately after the death of my said mother during the natural life of the said *Dorathy*, the remainder thereof successively to the heirs male of my body, the heirs female of my body and my right heirs for ever.

Whereas I bought of *William Saunderson*, citizen and fishmonger, certain messuages, lands and tenements in Heriotsham in the said county of . . . and caused the same to be conveyed to the said Mrs. *Alice Barneham* my mother and to my brother Mr. *Martyn Barneham* and their heirs in trust that they should assure the same . . . I now desire my said mother and brother to convey all the said premises as soon as may be after my decease to the said *Dorothy* my wife for the term of her natural life, with remainders as above.

I give to the parson and Churchwardens of the parish Church of St. Clement in Eastcheap and to their successors a yearly rent of £10, issuing out of all my . . . in Bisshopsgate street in the parish of St. Martin Outwich: to hold to them and their successors for ever, to be by them employed for such uses for which a yearly rent of £7 was lately . . . my said mother to certain persons and their heirs, to be issuing out of the said premises in the said parish of St. Martin Outwich, and the rates and portions mentioned in the said grant to be employed for the maintenance of the said uses . . . provided nevertheless that the said parson and Churchwardens within 3 months after my decease shall cause the said yearly rent of £7 to be . . . and discharged, and the said grant thereof to be cancelled.

The said capital messuage in St. Clement's Lane wherein the said *Benedict Barneham* dwelt was held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, *viz.*, by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, and after the death of the said *Alice*, 100s. The messuage called le Shipp in the parish of St. Christopher near the Shambles was held in free burgage of the City of London, and is worth per ann., clear, 60s. The 4 messuages lying in St. Clement's Lane, the capital messuage lying in the said lane in the tenure of *Thomas Knowher*, and the messuage there in the tenure of *Alice Lamley*, which said premises were lately purchased of *Thomas Antrobus*, are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Alice*, 40s. The messuage called the Greene Dragon lying in the parish of St. Bridgett in Fleetstreet is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and is worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Alice*, 30s. The capital messuage, orchard and garden lying in the parish of St. Martin

Owtwitch in Bisshopsgate street in the occupation of *Richard Foxe*, the other messuage there late in the occupation of *Andrew Trevers*, the 3 messuages lying together in the several occupations of *Thomas Bullock*, *James Austen* and *Richard Faulkener*, and the 9 messuages adjoining lying in the said parish in Hamondes Alley, which said messuages were purchased of *David Holiland*, are held of the Queen in chief, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Alice*, £7; of whom or by what service the manor of Wolmston *alias* Walmeston, the windmill and other the premises in Walmeston are held the jurors are ignorant: they are worth per ann., clear, £14. Of whom the manor of Walmyston *alias* Wyelmeston *alias* Welmeston and other the premises in Walmeston, Preston, Elmeston Ashe and Staple in co. Kent are held the jurors do not know: they are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The manor of Bockinfolde and the park of Buckingfold are held of the Queen in chief by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £7. The manor of Read is held of . . . in free socage as of his manor of Marden in co. Kent, and is worth per ann., clear, £4. The 2 a. of land and 3 a. and 3 virgates of meadow in Marden are held in free socage, but of whom the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 6s. Of whom the said shop and half a shop in Maidstone are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 5s. The manor of Westfarborne in co. Kent. is held of the Queen as of her castle of Dover, in co. Kent by the service of castlegard, and is worth per ann., clear, 60s. The messuage or farm called Farborne and 60 a. of land, meadow and pasture thereto belonging, the 10 a. of land in the tenure of *Edward Ellis*, and the 14 a. of land and meadow lying in Hariodsham, Ulcom, Bowthoner Malherbe, Bromefield and Headcorne in co. Kent are held of the Queen in chief, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £4. Of whom the messuage and 110 a. of land, meadow and pasture lying in Ulcum, Leedes, Bromefield and Hariodsham in co. Kent are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 60s. The manor of Swalcliff and other the premises in Swalcliff, Seasalter and Roke in co. Kent are held of the Queen in chief, *viz.*, by the 20th part of a knight's fee and by the rent of £3 13s. 4½d., and are worth per ann., clear, after the death of the said *Alice*, £4. The messuage or farm of Westbourne and other the premises . . . Kensington and Chelsey in co. Middlesex, in the several tenures of *Robert Coram* and *Roger Coram* are held of the Queen in chief, *viz.*, by the 40th part of a knight's fee. Of whom the 40 a. of land, meadow and pasture lying in Paddington, Kensington and Chelsey in the tenure of *William Lile*, and the 26 a. of land, meadow and pasture there in the tenure of

John Hopkins are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £3. The said messuage in Chelmsford in co. Essex is held in free socage, but of whom the jurors are ignorant: it is worth per ann., clear, 30s. The messuage or farm called Rooke farme and other the premises in Rotherwick, Hartley, Waspell, Hartley Rowe, Stockmore and Wildemore in co. Southampton are held in free socage but of whom the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £10.

Benedict Barneham died 4 April last past, 40 Eliz. [1598], having issue *Elizabeth, Alice, Dorothea* and *Bridgett Barneham*. Afterwards, viz., on the 25th day of June last past, the said *Dorothea* relict of the said *Benedict* gave birth to a daughter who was called *Benedicta*: the said *Elizabeth, Alice, Dorothy, Bridget* and *Benedicta* are the daughters and co-heiresses of the said *Benedict*: the said *Elizabeth* at the time of the death of her said father was aged 6 years, 9 months and 21 days, the said *Alice*, 5 years, 10 months and 13 days, the said *Dorothy* 2 (?) years, 11 months and 19 days, the said *Bridgett* 1 year, 10 months and 2 days, the said *Benedicta* is now aged 16 days.

The said *Alice Barneham*, mother of the said *Benedict*, still survives in the said parish of St. Clement within the City of London.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 253, No. 78.

Richard Jackman, lunatic.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 28 June, 40 Eliz. [1598], before *Thomas Lowe*, citizen and alderman of London, *John Newman, Baptist Hixe*, gent., *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City and *Nicholas Morgan*, gent., deputy escheator, commissioners, to enquire whether *Richard Jackman* is a lunatic, or has lucid intervals, so that he cannot govern himself or his manors, messuages, goods and chattels, lands and tenements or not, by the oath of *Edward Pillesworthe, Hugh Ingram, John Jennings, Robert Durant, Andrew Feilde, Clement Buck, Peter Noxton, Cuthbert Lee, George Holman, Michael Crowche, Richard Blinckorne, Richard Crafforde, William Abbott, William Crowche*, and *Henry Earsley*, who say that

The said *Richard Jackman* is a lunatic and does not enjoy lucid intervals, so that he is unfit to govern himself or his lands and goods, he became a lunatic three years ago by the visitation of God and has been one ever since. During his lunacy he has not alienated any lands or tenements or goods, and during that time he had no lands or tenements to the knowledge of the jurors, but certain goods and chattels of the said *Richard* are in the hands of *Jeronimus Haydon*, citizen and

ironmonger of London, but of what value they are the jurors do not know.

Joan Jackman is the kinswoman and next heir of the said *Richard*, and is now aged 8 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 254, No. 68.

Anthony Wheatley.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 1 February, 40 Eliz. [1598], before *Richard Saltonstall*, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of a writ of the Lady the Queen to prove the age of *Anthony Wheatley*, gent., son and heir of *William Wheatley*, gent., by the oath of *William Harvey*, *Hugh Ingram*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Durant*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Peter Noxon*, *George Holman*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Michael Crowche*, *Henry Earsley*, *Richard Mills*, *Edward Katcher*, *Richard Blinckhorne*, *Nicholas Askwith*, *Humphrey Hooper* and *Richard Craford*, who say that

Anthony Wheatlie was born and baptized on the 16th day of March, 1567, in the parish of St. Bridget in Fletestreete, London, and was of the full age of 21 years on the 16th day of March, 31 Eliz., and on the day of the taking of this inquisition was aged 29 years, 11 months and 13 days.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 254, No. 104.

Henry Hewet.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 10 July, 40 Eliz. [1598], before *Richard Salstonstall* knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Henry Hewet*, citizen and clothworker of London, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Hugh Ingram*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Durant*, *Clement Buck*, *Peter Noxton*, *Christopher Askwith*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Richard Kyrkby*, *Edward Catcher*, *Richard Milles*, *Henry Earsley*, *Richard Crayforde*, *Richard Blinkhorne*, *Humphrey Hooper* and *William Abbott*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Henry Hewet*, a certain *William Hewet*, knight, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages and tenements with shops, cellars, sollars, and buildings thereto belonging lying in the parish of St. Martin Orgar in the City of London, late in the tenure of the said *William Hewet*: which said 2 messuages and tenements now made into 1 messuage are called by the name of the signe of the Three Cranes in Candlewicke street in the said City.

So seised, the said *William Hewet* afterwards, viz., on the 3rd day of January, 9 Eliz., made his will in writing as follows :

I give to my nephew *Henry Hewet*, son of my brother *Thomas Hewet*, all that my messuage called the sign of the Three Cranes in Candlewick street, with all the shops, &c., thereto belonging: To hold to him and the heirs of his body; and for default, the said messuage to remain to his father *Thomas Hewet*, my brother, for the term of his natural life; and immediately after his decease, the same to remain to *Edward Osburne* his son and his heirs for ever.

Shortly afterwards the said *William Hewet* died in the said City of London; after whose death the said *Henry Hewet* (named in the writ) entered into the said premises and was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee tail, viz., to him and the heirs of his body.

The said *Henry Hewet* being so seised the said *Thomas Hewet*, *Henry Hewet* and *Edward Osburne* by the names of *Thomas Hewet*, citizen and clothworker of London, *Henry Hewet*, citizen and clothworker of London, son and heir apparent of the said *Thomas*, and *Edward Osburne*, citizen and clothworker of London, and *Anne* his wife, daughter and heir of the said *William Hewet*, knight, by their deed tripartite dated 27 April, 9 Eliz. [1567], demised to *Thomas Bromley*, esq., then Recorder of the City of London and *Ralph Bosevyle*, esq., the said premises which the said *Sir William Hewet* purchased to him and his heirs of the master and 4 guardians of the guild or fraternity of St. Katherine of the art or mystery of haberdashers of the City of London by charter dated 26 July, 1 Mary [1553]: To hold to the said *Thomas Bromley* and *Ralph Bosevyle* and their heirs to the use of the said *Thomas Hewet* for the term of his life; and after his decease, to the use of the said *Henry Hewet* and his heirs for ever, of the chief lords of that fee by the services thereof due and of right accustomed; by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Thomas Hewet* entered into the said premises and was thereof seised in his demesne as of freehold, with remainder as above.

Afterwards, viz., on the 29th day of April, 9 Eliz., the said *Edward Osburne* and *Anne* his wife by deed of even date remised to the said *Thomas* and *Henry Hewet* and the heirs of the said *Henry* all their title and interest in the said premises.

The said *Thomas Hewet* died so seised at London, 9 March . . . Eliz., after whose death the said premises remained to the said *Henry Hewet* and his heirs, who then entered into the same, and afterwards, viz., on the 19th day of December, 40 Eliz. [1597], made his will in writing as follows:

I give to my wife *Mary Hewet* my house wherein I dwell called the

Three Cranes situate in Candlewick street, with free entry, ingress, egress and regress in and to the same (the shops, parcel of the said house only excepted) which said shop I will that *Henry Hewet* my second son shall have, together with the reversion of the said house after the decease of my said wife. By the said will the testator gave to the said *Henry* his second son the said shop with the reversion of the said house after the decease of his said wife: to hold to the said *Henry* and his heirs for ever.

The said messuages in the said parish of St. Martin Orgar are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City, and are worth per ann., clear, 5 marks.

Henry Hewet (named in the writ) died at London 29 December last past; *Thomas Hewet* is his son and next heir, and was aged 10 years in the 5th day of July last past, viz., 39 Eliz.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 255, No. 173.

William Ingram, Baker.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 Oct., 41 Eliz. [1599], before *Stephen Soame*, knight, escheator, after the death of *William Ingram* of London, baker, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Edward Pilsworth*, *Hugh Ingram*, *John Jennynges*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feild*, *Michael Crowche*, *James Taylor*, *Henry Earsley*, *Nicholas Askwith*, *Thomas Thomas*, *Richard Crayford*, *William Abbott*, *Richard Gosson* and *Elias Parry*, who say that

William Ingram was seised on the day that he died in his demesne as of fee of 2 messuages in the parish of St. Katherine Christchurch within Aldgate, which are held of the Queen in socage in chief by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

William Ingram died 27 March last past in the said parish in the ward of Algate without issue of his body; *Elizabeth Trewman* wife of *Richard Trewman* and *Susan Middleton* wife of *Thomas Middleton* are the sisters and next heirs of the said *William Ingram* and are both aged 28 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 258, No. 49.

Thomas Bowes, gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 2 July, 41 Eliz. [1599], before *Jeremiah Bettenham*, of Gray's Inn in co. Middlesex, esq., *Clement Goldsmith*, esq., *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the City of

London, and *Simon Spatehurst*, gent., deputy escheator, after the death of *Thomas Bowes*, gent., by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *Hugh Ingram*, *John Fenninges*, *Robert Durant*, *Clement Bucke*, *Peter Nixon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Michael Crowche*, *Henry Earsley*, *Richard Blinckerne*, *Richard Craiford*, *William Abbott*, *Elias Parry*, and *Robert Spatchehurste*, who say that

Thomas Bowes, long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee-tail, viz. to him and the heirs male of his body of the grant of *Martin Bowes*, knight, as by the last will of the said *Martin* it more fully appears, of 8 messuages situate in Lumberd street in the parish of St. Mary Wolnoth in the City of London, now or late in the several tenures of — *Bernerd*, *John Atkinson*, *John Maninge*, *Thomas Clarke*, *George Samuell*, *George Humble*, — *Dutton* and *Lazarus Garthes*; 5 messuages, lying in Burchen Lane in the parish of St. Edmond the King within the City of London, now or late in the several tenures of *Philip Curtise*, *John Crowley*, *William Croseley*, *Robert Goodwinhouse*, and *Philip Tiballes*; 1 messuage situate in the Old Change in the parish of St. Augustine within the said parish, now or late in the tenure of *William Moorehall*.

So seised, the said *Thomas Bowes* in consideration of a reasonable jointure to be by him made for *Bridget Bowes* his wife by indenture dated 20 August, 37 Eliz. [1595], agreed with *Christopher Burrow* and *Richard Starlinge* that before Christmas then next following they should recover against him in the Court of Hustings all the said messuages in Lumberd street and the tenement in Burchen Lane, to the use of the said *Thomas Bowes* for his natural life; and after his decease, to the use of the said *Bridgett* during her natural life, for her jointure; and after her death to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *Thomas* with divers other uses to other persons; by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Thomas* was seised of the said premises in his demesne as of freehold, with remainders as above.

The messuages in the parish of St. Mary Wolnoth are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £12. The messuages in Burchen Lane and the said messuage in the Old Change are held of the Queen in free burgage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £10.

Thomas Bowes died 26 November, 41 Eliz. [1598], *Thomas Bowes* is his son and next heir and was then aged 2 years and 3 months.

The said *Bridgett* still survives.

Juliana Penne, Widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 13 October, 42 Eliz. [1600] before *Nicholas Moseley*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Juliana Penne*, by the oath of *William Crowche*, widow, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *Robert Durrant*, *Peter Noxton*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feylde*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Thomas Pulforde*, *Elias Parrye* and *John Fenninges*, who say that

Juliana Penne long before and on the day of her death was seised in her demesne as of fee of 1 messuage formerly in the tenure of *Katherine Lytton*, widow, situate in the parish of St. Peter the Less in the ward of Baynardes Castle in London: which said messuage is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know, and is worth per ann., clear, 28s.

Juliana Penne died 14th November, 1592; *Michael Hyckes*, esq., is her son and next heir and was then aged 50 years and more. After the death the said messuage descended by right of inheritance to the said *Michael* who immediately entered into the same and took the profits thereof.

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Thomas Tirrell, Citizen and Grocer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 13 October, 42 Eliz. [1600], before *Nicholas Moseley*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Tirrell*, late citizen and grocer of London, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *Robert Durrant*, *Peter Noxton*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Catcher*, *Thomas Pulforde*, *William Abbott*, *Elias Parrye* and *John Fenninges*, who say that

Thomas Tirrell was seised in his demesne as of fee of 5 messuages situate in the parish of St. Nicholas Colde Abbey, London; 3 messuages lying in the parish of St. Ethelburghe, London; 1 messuage, 1 garden, 31 a. of land, 10 a. of meadow and 31 a. of pasture in Mycham in co. Surrey; 2 messuages, 1 garden and 1 a. of land in Croydon in the said county; 2 messuages, and 1 garden and 6 a. of land and meadow lying in Westham in co. Essex; and 6 a. of land and meadow in Eastham in the said county.

So seised, the said *Thomas Tirrell* made his will 18th March last

past, and thereby devised the said premises in London and in co. Surrey to *Margaret Tirrell* then his wife for the term of her life.

The messuages in the parish of St. Nicholas Colde Abbey are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, 5 marks. The 3 messuages in the parish of St. Ethelburgh are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The premises in Mycham are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The premises in Croydon are held of the Queen as of her said manor of East Greenwich, but by what service the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, 20s. The messuages and other the premises in Westham are held of the Queen as of her manor of Westham, by what services is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The premises in Eastham are held of *George Harvey*, esq., as of his manor of Eastham Burnelles in co. Essex, by what services the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s.

Thomas Tirrell died in London 21 March last past; *Thomas Tirrell* is his son and next heir, and is now aged 31 years and more.

The said *Margaret*, late the wife of the said *Thomas Tirrell* the father still survives in London.

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William Fitzwilliam, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 January, 42 Eliz. [1600], before *Nicholas Moseley*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Fitzwilliam*, knight, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Durant*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *George Holman*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Henry Earsley*, *Richard Crayforde*, *Elias Parry* and *Alexander Ashurste*, who say that

William Fitzwilliam long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage situate in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldersgate, London, late in the tenure of the said *William*, and formerly in that of *George Mynne*, esq.; and all the houses, buildings, cellars, shops, gardens, orchards, ways, &c., &c., to the said capital messuage belonging, lying in the said parish in the suburbs of the City of London late in the tenure of *Thomas Morison*, deceased.

So seised, the said Sir *William Fitzwilliam* by deed dated 12 October, 39 Eliz. [1597], enfeoffed thereof *Richard Chichester*, gent.,

and his heirs for ever to the sole use of the said *Sir William* during his natural life; after his decease to the use of *Dame Anne* his wife for her natural life and for the term of 6 months next after her death; after the expiration of that term, to the sole use of *William Fitzwilliam* son and heir apparent of the said *Sir William* and the heirs of his body; for default, then to the use of the said *Dame Anne* and her heirs for ever, by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Sir William* was seised of the said premises, with remainders as above.

The said capital messuage is held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £4.

Sir William Fitzwilliam died 22 June, 41 Eliz. [1599]; the said *William Fitzwilliam* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 40 years and more.

The said *Dame Anne* still survives at London.

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Agnes Hickman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 5 June, 42 Eliz. [1600], before *Nicholas Mosley*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Agnes Hickman*, late the wife of *William Hickman*, esq., by the oath of *William Crowche*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Durrant*, *Peter Noxton*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Richard Kirkby*, *William Abbott*, *Nicholas Askwith*, *Elias Parry* and *John Cordell*, who say that

Agnes Hickman long before her death was seised in her demesne as of fee as one of the daughters and coheirs of *Christopher Draper* late of London, knight, deceased, by hereditary descent, of the 3rd part of 1 capital messuage, cellars, buildings, yards and other houses of merchandize thereto belonging, situate in a certain street called Thames Street in London, in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East in the ward of or the Tower; the 3rd part of a wharf commonly called Drapers Key or Gibson's Key in Thames Street to the said messuage belonging, now or late in the tenure of *William Wiggins*; and the 3rd part of 2 messuages, with the buildings, cellars, houses, &c., thereto belonging abutting upon or adjacent to the said capital messuage, now or late in the tenure of *John Brickett* and *Robert Nunne*.

So seised the said *Agnes* on the 3rd day of January, 35 Eliz., married the said *William Hickman*, whereby they are jointly seised of the said premises in their demesne as of fee in right of the said *Agnes*.

And they being so seised, a fine was levied at Westminster from the day of Easter in 5 weeks, 36 Eliz. [1594], between *Stephen Lunne*, plt., and the said *William Hickman* and *Agnes* his wife, defts., of the said premises, whereupon the said *William* and *Agnes* acknowledged the said premises to be the right of the said *Stephen* and the same remised to him and his heirs for ever: which said fine was levied to the following use, viz. that the Master, fellows and scholars of Emanuel College in Cambridge and their successors shall have and yearly take, immediately after the levying of the said fine, out of the said 3rd part of the said premises, a yearly rent of £8 as of the gift of the said *William* and *Agnes*: to hold to them and their successors for ever. And as to the possession and inheritance of the said third part, to the use of the said *William* and *Agnes* and their heirs until the said *Agnes* by her deed or last will shall declare any other use; and after such declaration, the said fine shall be and the said *Stephen Lunne* and his heirs shall be seised to the use of such persons as the said *Agnes* shall wish, the said yearly rent of £8 always excepted, as by an indenture tripartite dated 20 April, 36 Eliz. [1594] made between the said *William Hickman* and *Agnes* his wife late the wife of *Wolstun Dixie*, knight, deceased, of the first part, the said *Stephen Lunne*, servant of the said *William* and *Agnes*, of the second part, and the said Master, Fellows and scholars of the said Emanuel College, Cambridge, of the third part, by virtue of which said fine and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *William* and *Agnes* were seised of the said 3rd part in their demesne as of fee.

So seised, the said *Agnes* made her will 24 April, 40 Eliz. [1598], with the consent of the said *William Hickman* her husband, and thereby bequeathed as follows: "I give my land that came to me by my father to my cosen *Robert Draper* the Apprentys and to his heyres".

The said 3rd part of the said capital messuage and other the premises is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

Agnes Hickman died at Gaynesborough in co. Lincoln on the 22nd day of February, 42 Eliz. [1600] without any issue of her body; *Benedicta Webbe*, late the wife of *William Webbe*, knight, and *Christopher Woodroffe*, son and heir of *Stephen Woodroffe* and *Bridget* his wife, one of the coheirs of the said *Sir Christopher Draper*, knight, are her next heirs; the said *Benedicta* is aged 50 years and more, and the said *Christopher* 30 years and more.

The said *Robert Draper*, to whom the said premises descended, still survives and is aged 24.

Christopher Osborne, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 16 May, 42 Eliz. [1600] before *Edward Mosley*, esq., deputy escheator, *William Heigham*, esq., *William Moseley*, gent., and *William Necton*, commissioners, after the death of *Christopher Osborne*, gent., by the oath of *William Crowche*, *John Jennings*, *Peter . . . Cuthbert Lee*, *Edward . . . Thomas Pulforde*, *Richard Crayford*, *William Abbott*, and *Elias Parry*, who say that

Christopher Osborne long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that garden, ground and soil formerly 1 garden and now divided into 2 gardens, now in the tenure of *Ralph Fytch*, vintner and — *Ascaino*, and formerly in that of *Edward Herenden*, father of *Edmund Herenden* of London deceased . . . otherwise called Grey Friars in London; 1 other garden, ground and soil formerly in the tenure of Dr. *Stony* and now or late in that of *John Southall*, lying within the precincts of the Grey Friars . . . extending from the gate and wall made and adjoining the south end or corner of a messuage there formerly of *Richard Boureman*, formerly in the tenure of *John Man*, esq., and so in length between the wall of the said messuage and the place where the partition of the garden formerly . . . 26 feet of assize in length, and in breadth from the place where the said partition is made towards the said wall of the said messuage 8 feet of assize; also free entry and passage for the said *Christopher Osborne* and his heirs . . . high street in St. Nicholas Shambles by the small lane there leading to the gate at the Butchers hall corner, and thence in length by the palings of the garden in the tenure of the said Butchers as the way there now lies and is made, and thence direct to the garden . . . parts to be divided of all that marsh as well “In Marshe as Dutmarsh” called Sowe marshe *alias* Southmarshe, situate in the parishes of Northfambridge and Purlie in co. Essex; also all the houses, buildings, structures, &c., &c., thereto belonging. . . .

So seised, the said *Christopher Osborne* made his will dated 4 April, 41 Eliz. [1599] whereby he bequeathed as follows: . . . my executor to whom also I give the profits of all my lands in England for 10 years after my decease.

The said *Christopher Osborne* and *Joan* his wife were also seised to them and the heirs of the said *Christopher* for ever of all the manor of Northfambridge in co. Essex, and all the granges, messuages, &c., &c., thereto belonging, late parcel of the possessions of *Henry* late Earl of Essex, as by letters patent of the said Queen dated 28 July, in the 33rd year of her reign, more fully appears.

Long before the death of the said *Christopher Osborne* one *Peter Osborne* of London, esq., father of the said *Christopher*, was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor of Southfambridge in co. Essex, and of the advowson, free gift and right of presentation of the rectory and Church of Southfambridge, and of all the messuages, lands, &c., thereto belonging in the said county; and so seised by indenture of 7 parts, dated 4 July, 30 Eliz. [1588] at London, and made between him the said *Peter* of the first part; *Hugh Broughton*, of London, preacher, *William Fowler* of Harnedge Grange in co. Salop, esq., *Richard Fowler* son and heir apparent of the said *William Fowler*, *Francis Blith*, *Ambrose Rowse*, esquires, and *John Astell* of Graies Inn, gent., of the 2nd part; *John Osborne*, son and heir apparent of the said *Peter*, of the 3rd part; *Christopher Osborne*, 2nd son of the said *Peter*, of the 4th part; *Henry Osborne*, 3rd son of the said *Peter*, of the 5th part; *Richard Osborne*, another son of the said *Peter*, of the 6th part; and *Thomas Osborne*, another of the sons of the said *Peter*, of the 7th part, it was agreed that in consideration of a marriage heretofore had between the said *Peter Osborne* and *Anne* then his wife and for part of her jointure if she should survive the said *Peter* and . . . *Christopher*, *Henry*, *Richard* and *Thomas Osborne*, younger sons of the said *Peter*, and to the heirs of their bodies the said *Peter* should stand seised of the said manor of Southfambridge and of the advowson and right of patronage of the rectory and Church of Southfambridge and of all the messuages, lands, &c., &c., to the said manor belonging to the use of him the said *Peter* and of the said *Anne* for their natural lives; and after their decease, then as to one 4th part of the said manor and other the premises to the use of the said *Christopher Osborne* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of the said . . . and *Thomas Osborne* and the heirs of their bodies: as to another 4th part thereof, to the use of the said *Henry Osborne* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of the said *Christopher*, *Richard*, and *Thomas Osborne* and the heirs of their bodies: as to another 4th part thereof, to the use of the said *Richard Osborne* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of the said *Christopher*, *Henry* and *Thomas* and the heirs of their bodies; and as to the other 4th part thereof, to the use of the said *Thomas Osborne* and the heirs of his body, and for default, to the use of the said *Christopher* . . . *Osborne* and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Peter Osborne* for ever: provided always that it might be lawful for the said *Peter* from time to time to alter or determine any of the uses or conditions mentioned in the said indenture: by pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses, the said *Peter* and *Anne* were seised of the said premises, with remainder as above.

On the 11th day of December, 33 Eliz. [1590] at London, the said *Peter* by charter made between himself of the one part and the said *Christopher Osborne*, 2nd son of the said *Peter*, of the other part, reciting the said indenture and his power to revoke any uses, declared that all the said uses in the said 4th part of the said manor of Southfambridge should cease and be void.

Afterwards the said *Peter* by charter tripartite dated 12 December, 33 Eliz. [1590], made between himself of the one part, *Humphrey Moselie* of London, esq., of the 2nd part, and *Christopher Osborne*, gent., 2nd son of the said *Peter* and *Joan* his wife, daughter of the said *Humphrey*, of the 3rd part, reciting the said indentures, for the advancement of the said *Christopher* and the heirs of his body, and in consideration of the marriage heretofore had between the said *Christopher* and the said *Joan* and for a competent jointure to be assured to the said *Joan*, and to the intent that all the said 4th parts of the said manor and other the premises should remain in his name and blood agreed that he and his heirs should be seised of the said 4th parts to the use of him the said *Peter* and *Anne* his wife for the terms of their natural lives; after their decease, to the use of the said *Christopher* and *Joan* for the terms of their natural lives; after their decease, to the use of the heirs male of the said *Christopher* by the said *Joan*; for default, to the use of the heirs male of the body of the said *Christopher*; for default, to the use of the heirs of the said *Christopher* by the said *Joan*; for default, to the use of the heirs of the body of the said *Christopher*; for default, to the use of the said *Henry*, *Richard* and *Thomas Osborne* and the heirs of their bodies; and lastly, for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Peter Osborne* for ever: by pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Peter* and *Anne* were seised of the said premises, with remainders as above.

The said *Peter Osborne* died at London long before the taking of this inquisition: the said *Anne* survived him and still holds the said manor of Southfambridge for the term of her life.

The said *Christopher Osborne* died seised of the remainder of the 4th part of the said manor: the said *Joan* survived him and is still thereof seised, the remainder thereof after her death being to *John Osborne*, son and heir of the said *Christopher* by the said *Joan*.

The said *Richard* and *Thomas Osborne* died without heirs of their bodies at London in the lifetime of the said *Christopher*.

The premises in the City of London are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d. Of whom the marsh called Sowe or Southmarsh is held the jurors know not; it is worth per ann., clear,

40s. The manor of Northfambridge is held of the Queen by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d. Of whom the 4th part of the manor of Southfambridge, granted to the said *Joan* after the decease of the said *Anne*, and the other 4th part thereof which ought to remain to the said *John Osborne* are held the jurors know not : they are worth per ann., clear, 40s. *Christopher Osborne* died 17 April, 42 Eliz. [1600], *John Osborne* is his son and next heir and was then aged 7 years and 3 months.

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William Pawlett, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 November, 42 Eliz. [1599], before *Nicholas Moseley*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Pawlett*, knight, Baron *St. John*, of Basinge, Earl of *Wiltshire* and Marquis of *Winchester*, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Hugh Ingram*, *John Jennynge*, *Robert Durant*, *Clement Buck*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *George Holman*, *Michael Crowche*, *Humphrey Hoper*, *Edward Catcher*, *James Taylor*, *Richard Craford*, *Nicholas Askwith*, *William Abbott* and *Elias Parry*, who say that

William late Marquis of *Winchester* was seised in his demesne as of fee on the day that he died of the site of the lately dissolved house of the *Augustine Friars* within the City of *London*, and all the messuages, lands, tenements and hereditaments within the precincts of the said house ; the honor, castle, lordship and manor of *Basinge* in co. *Southampton*, the farm of the town of *Basingstoke*, 1 mess. or farm called *Gregories* in *Basingstoke* and 1 other farm called *Wattesfords* in *Sherfield* on *Loddon*, in the said county ; the manors of *Froylberye*, *Hollshott*, *Stratfeild Turges*, *Bramley* with *Horwellsland*, *Weston Patrick*, *Wynslade*, *Netherwallope*, *Anna Abbatis*, *Abberston*, *Hursborne Tarrant*, *Townhill*, *Kingescleere*, *Bromeshill* beyond the park (*ultra parcum*) *Itchenstoke* and *Itchin Abbatis* in the said county of *Southampton*, the manor of the rectory of *Kingescleere*, the park of *Warleham* and the free chapel of *Froylberye* in the said county ; the abbey of *Letley* with the borough and town of *Letlye* in the said county ; the fee farms of the City of *Winchester* and the town of *Andover* in the said county ; the granges of *Samblehurst* and *Heryard Wyntney* and the rectories of *Ichinstoke* and *Heryerd* in the said counties ; a grain mill called the town mill in *Andover* ; a yearly rent of 26s. 8d. issuing out of the rectory in *Mydleton* in the said county ; the farms of *Mattocke Forde* and *Oke-land* with the borough of *Botley* in the said county ; 3 parts of the manor

of Newenham in 4 parts to be divided, in the said county; and of a certain yearly rent of £20 called "Creacion money" of the Earl of Wiltshire yearly to be paid [by the] customars of the town of Southampton and 1 other rent of 25s. 9d. issuing out of the manor of Preshawe and Lomer in the said county; also of the manors of Fysherton Delamor, Chitterne Eddington, Romsey Tynhed, Romsey Eddington rectory and Tynhed rectory and the manor and farm of Imber in co. Wilts; a mill in Upton Touell now or late of *Thomas Mountpesson* in the said county of Wilts; the rectories of Eddington and Fysherton with all the tithes and oblations there, the hundred of Horwells Downe in the said county; the grange of Bratton; and the fee farm of Steple Ashton in the said county; also of the manors of Porstock, Farnham, Westcherrell, Hook, Frome Vauchurche, Mangerton, Batcombe, Wynterborne Stepleton and Hodercombe in co. Dorset; the manor or farm of Ashleye in the said county of Dorset, and 6 messuages in Overkencombe in the said county; the manors of Bigbury, Oldbury, Esteportlemouth, Hemston, Arrundell, Bryxham, Wollston and Yongecombe in co. Devon; a yearly rent of £6 in Hatch Arrundell in the said county of Devon; certain lands in Plymouth and a mill called Lary mill in the said county of Devon; the manors of Markwell, Pendrynn . . . lez and St. Tyes in co. Cornwall; and the manor of Stratfield Mortimer and 2 parks called the Great and the Little Park in cos. Southampton and Berks.

The said site and all other the premises within the city of London are held of the Queen, *viz.*, parcel thereof in chief by knight's service, and the other part in free and common socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6 2s. 8d. The honor, castle, lordship and manor of Basinge are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £112 6s. 6d. The fee farm of the town of Basinge is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service and is worth per ann., clear, £51 6s. 8d. Of whom or by what service the farm called Gregories is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, £58 18s. 5d. The farm in Sherfeild super Loddon called Wattesfordes is held of the bailliffs and honest men of the town of Basingstoke, by what service is not known, it is worth per ann., clear, £12 10s. 8d. The manor of Froylberye and the free chapel there are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £12 4s. 8½d. The manor of Holshott is held of the Queen in chief by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £34 14s. 8d. The manor of Stratfeild Turges is held of . . . of Holshot by the yearly rent of 29s., and is worth per ann., clear, £12 6s. 6½d. Of whom and by what service the manor of Bramley with Horwells land is held the jurors do not know: it is worth per ann., clear, £24 8s. 9d. The manor of

Weston Patrick is held of the Queen as of her Duchy of Lancaster by the 60th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £12 5s. 8d. The manor of Wynslade is held of the said honor (?) of Basinge by half a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £7 17s. 6d. The manor of Netherwallop is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service and is worth per ann., clear, £45 13s. 5d. The manor of Anna Abbatis is held of the Queen *inter alia*, by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £32 2s. 0d. The manor of Hurseborne Tarrant is held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £15 5s. 6d. The manor of Kingescleere is held of the Queen by the service of paying yearly 10s. at the Exchequer by the hands of the sheriff of Southampton and is worth per ann., clear, £21 3s. 6d. Of whom or by what service the manor of Townehill is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £13 9s. The manor of the rectory of Kingescleere is held of the Queen in chief by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £26 8s. 0d. Of whom the manor of Bromeshill beyond the park and the park of Warleham are held the jurors do not know: they are worth per ann., clear, £7 3s. 8d. The manor and rectory of Ichinstoke are held of the Queen by the 10th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £27 3s. 10d. The manor of Abbots Ichin and the prebend there are held of the Queen in chief by the 20th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £37 3s. 5d. Of whom the . . . of Hounde and the abbey of Letlye with the borough and town of Letlye are held the jurors do not know: they are worth per ann., clear. . . . Of whom the fee farm of the city of Winchester is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £33 6s. 8d. Of whom the fee farm of the town of Andover is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £28 1s. 5d. The grange of Shamblehurst is held of the Queen by the . . . part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £4 13s. 4d. The manor of Abberston is held of *Thomas* Bishop of Winchester (?) by what services the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, £26 13s. 4d. Of whom the granges and rectories of Heryard and Wintney are held the jurors do not know: they are worth per ann., clear, £14 7s. 0d. The mill in Andover is held of the bailiffs and honest men of the . . . and is worth per ann., clear, £6. Of whom the farm of Mattockesford with the borough of Botley are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 48s. Of whom the farm of Okeland is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, 100s. The 3 parts of the manor of Newenham are held of the bailliffs and burgesses of the town of . . . by what services is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £7 5s. 10d. Of whom the manor of Fisherton De la more is held the jurors do not know: it is worth per ann., clear, £42 7s. 8d.

Of whom the manor of Chitterne is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £50 19s. 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ d. The manors of Eddington Romsey, Tynhed Romsey, Eddington rectory and Tynhed rectory and the rectory of Eddington are held of the Queen (?) by knight's service. Of whom the fee farm of Steple Ashton and the grange of Bratton are held the jurors know not, and are worth together per ann., clear, . . . 14s. 8d. The manor and farm of Imber are held of the Queen in chief by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear. . . . Of whom the mill in Upton Lovell is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, 66s. 8d. Of whom the rectory of Fysherton is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £10 16s. 8d. Of whom the hundred of Horwells Down is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £4 7s. 7d. The manor of Porstock is held of the Queen in chief by fealty and the yearly rent of £18, and is worth per ann., clear, £9 10s. 0d. The manor of Farnham is held of the now dissolved monastery of . . . and is worth per ann., clear, £4 9s. 0d. The manor of Westchekerell is held of the Queen as of her Duchy of York by the service of 1 knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £3 6s. 8d. The manor of Hooke is held of the Queen by the moiety of 1 knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £43 7s. 10d. The manor of Frome Vauchurch is held of the Queen as of her monastery of Cearne, and is worth per ann., clear, £4 10s. 0d. The manor of Mangerton is held of the Queen as of her said Duchy of York, and is worth per ann., clear, . . . 13s. 4d. The manor of Batcombe is held of the Queen as of her late dissolved monastery of Milton and is worth per ann., clear, £17 18s. 0d. The manor of Winterborne is held of the Queen as of her Duchy of York by the service of 1 knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £20. Of whom the manor of Ashleye is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, £7 4s. 0d. Of whom the 6 messuages in Overkencombe are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, 46s. 8d. Of whom the manors of Bigbury and Oldbury are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £56 8s. 10d. Of whom the manor of Estportlemouth is held the jurors do not know: it is worth per ann., clear, £20. Of whom the manor of Hempston Arrundell with the yearly rent in Hatch Arrundel are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £20. . . . Of whom the manor of Brixham is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £10 19s. 8d. Of whom the manors of Wellston and Youngecombe are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £21 1s. 2d. Of whom the mill called La . . . mylle is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, 30s. Of whom the manor of Markewell is held the jurors know not: it is worth per ann., clear, £12 0s. 4d. Of whom the manor of Pendryms is held is not known: it is worth per ann., clear, £24. Of

whom the said manor of . . . lez and the premises in St. Tyes in Aporthia are held is not known : they are worth per ann., clear, £41 8s. 8d. The manor of Stratfied Mortimer and the parks called the Little Park and the Great Park are held of the Queen in chief by 1 knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £73 7s. 10d.

The said *William* late Marquis of Winchester died 23 November last past; *William* Lord St. *John* of Basinge Earl of Wiltshire and Marquis of *Winchester* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 262, No. 125.

Roger Bragge, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken 22 December, 44 Eliz. [1601], before *John Garrard*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Roger Bragge* late of the City of London, gent., by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Richard Crafford*, *Elias Parry*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Henry Earsley*, *Alexander Ashhurste*, *Hugh Sharratt*, *Martin Lumley*, *William Alott* and *John Jennynoges*, who say that

Roger Bragge long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage and 2 courts thereto belonging [no parish given]; 1 messuage, late 2 stables, situate in the parish of St. Bride alias St. Bridget in or near Fleetestreete in the suburbs of the City of London in the tenure of *Henry Jones*; 1 messuage and 1 sollar in Fleetestreete in the said parish in the tenure of *William Saye* : all of which *Edmund Bragge*, deceased, father of the said *Roger* purchased to him and his heirs of *Robert Freake*, esq., deceased, and are now of the clear yearly value of £8, and are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free socage and not in chief; 1 other messuage in Fleetestreete in the parish of St. Martin within Ludgate, London, called the Floure de Luce in the several tenures of *James Crewes* and *Kellam Collins*; 1 other messuage in Fleetestreete in the said parish of St. Martin in the tenure of *Kegell Mathew*; 1 other messuage in Fleetestreete in the said parish of St. Bride in the tenure of the said *Roger Bragge* on the day of his death; 2 other messuages in the said parish of St. Bride on the south part of the said messuage last mentioned; 1 other messuage in the said parish of St. Bride in the tenure of *George Onslow*; 1 other messuage in the said parish in the tenure of *John Crosse*; 1 other messuage there in the tenure

of *Thomasine Cozen* : which said premises are of the clear yearly value of £10, and are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City ; 1 garden in the said parish of St. Bride and 1 messuage situate in the said garden in the tenure of *Henry Jones* : which said garden and messuage are of the clear yearly value of 10s., and are held of the Queen by fealty in free and common socage and not in chief.

So seised, the said *Roger Bragge* made his will the first day of November, 41 Eliz. [1599] as follows :

I *Roger Bragge* of London, gentleman, considering "the frayltie of man and howe necessarye it is for everye Christian to be in continuall redines for death whensoever the good pleasure of god shall be to call him," &c. My body to be buried (if I happen to die in London) in the parish church of St. Brides near Fleetstreet, as near to the place there where the body of *Edmond Bragg* my late father and the bodies of 4 of my children lie buried as conveniently may be.

I will that *Joan* my wife shall have the use of my own dwelling house in London wherein my said late father last dwelt so long as she remains sole and unmarried, she paying the yearly rent of 40s. to the Queen for the same.

Whereas there is an annuity of £50 issuing out of all my lands and tenements in the parishes of St. Bridget *alias* St. Bride and St. Martin, London, to my mother *Elizabeth Hill*, widow, during her natural life : I will that the rents and profits of my 3 messuages in the said parish of St. Bride, now in the several tenures of *George Onslowe*, *John Crosse* and *Thomazine Cozen*, widow, and my 2 tenements lying near St. Bride's churchyard, sometime in the several occupations of *Richard Fytchett* and *Roger Barker*, and my 2 messuages in the said parish now or late in the several tenures of *Henry Jones* and *William Saye* shall be employed towards the payment of the said annuity, and that the residue of my said lands and tenements in the said parishes shall not be charged therewith ; and therefore I hereby appoint that *Edmond Bragge* my eldest son shall during the life of my said mother take the rents and profits of the 7 messuages, except £420 or so much thereof as shall be unpaid at the time of my decease due to me in the name of a fine or "incombe" for the said messuage in the tenure of the said *Thomasine Cozen*, by force of an indenture of lease dated 12 June, 34 Eliz., for the natural life of my said Mother *Elizabeth Hill*, to the intent that he shall with the said rents pay the said annuity to my said mother, at such time and place and in such manner and form as in an indenture tripartite dated 14 February, 28 Eliz. [1586], made between the said *Elizabeth Hill* by the name of *Elizabeth Bragge*, widow, of the one part, and me the said *Roger Bragge*, of the second part, and *Edward Bragge* my late brother

of the 3rd part are limited and appointed, and retain the surplusage and overplus of the said rents to his own use.

I give all my freehold lands, tenements and hereditaments whatsoever lying in the parish of Great Burstead in co. Essex, and my 2 messuages situate in Fleetestrete in the said parish of St. Brides late in the tenures of the said *Henry Jones* and *William Saye*, to my said son *Edmond* and the heirs of his body; for default, to *Thomas Bragge* my second son and the heirs of his body; for default, to *Roger Bragge* my 3rd son and the heirs of his body; for default, to *Benjamin Bragge* my 4th son and the heirs of his body; for default, to *George Bragge* my 5th son and the heirs of his body; for default, to *Richard Bragge* my 6th son and the heirs of his body; for default, to my 4 daughters *Anne*, *Katherine*, *Elizabeth* and *Joane Bragge* and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to my right heirs for ever. Provided always that if my said son *Edmond* after he shall accomplish the age of 21 shall not pay the said annuity to my said mother, that then the estate by me given to him shall cease and determine, and the said 2 messuages shall remain to my said son *Thomas* and the heirs of his body.

I give my 2 tenements in the parish of St. Martins, the one called the "Flower de Luce" now in the tenure of *James Crewse* and *Kellon Collins*, and the other in the occupation of *Kegill Mathewe*, to my said son *Thomas* and the heirs of his body; for default, then successively to my said sons and daughters above mentioned and their heirs, and my right heirs for ever.

I bequeath my now dwelling house in Fleetstreet wherein my said late father dwelt, except 2 little rooms now used as parcel thereof, the one serving for a little hall and the other for a buttery, situate under the kitchens of my said 2 tenements now in the several tenures of the said *George Onslowe* and *John Crosse*, also my 2 messuages on the south side of my now dwelling house near St. Bride's churchyard sometime in the several tenures of *Richard Fitchett* and *Roger Barker*, haberdashers, to my said son *Roger* and the heirs of his body; for default, then successively to my said sons and daughters and my right heirs for ever.

I give my said 2 messuages in Fleet Street now in the several tenures of the said *George Onslowe* and *John Crosse* and the chamber now used as part thereof in the occupation of the said *Thomasine Cozen* situate on the south side of the said 2 messuages, and in times past thereto belonging, and the said 2 little rooms now used as parcel for my said dwelling house, to my said son *Benjamin* and the heirs of his body, with remainders as above.

I give all my messuage in Fleetstreet in the tenure of the said

Thomazine Cozen, except the said chamber above granted, to my said son *George* and the heirs of his body, with remainders as above.

I also give to my said son *Roger* all the sums of money payable to me by the said *Thomazine Cozen* in the name of a fine for the lease of the messuage now in her tenure.

All my lands and tenements in Gyngmountney *alias* Mountneasinge in co. Essex I give to my said son *Richard* and the heirs of his body, with remainders as above.

Long before the death of the said *Roger Bragge*, the said *Edmund Bragge* his father was seised in his demesne as of fee of 15 messuages and 2 other messuages late being 1 stable situate in a certain lane called Shoe lane in the said parish of St Bride, now in the several tenures of *William Stannard*, *Henry Holbroke*, *Robert Drake*, *William Nelson*, *Alice Gaughe*, *Thomas Atkins*, *James Harblett*, *Margaret Darley*, *Edward Marten*, *Roger Chorne*, *Edward Bryan* and *Richard Crowche*: which said messuages are of the clear yearly value of £13 and are held of the Queen by fealty only in free and common socage and not in chief; also of 2 gardens formerly 1 garden and sometime 4 gardens situate near Shoe lane now in the several tenures of the said *Roger Bragge* and *Giles Longe*: which said gardens are of the clear yearly value of 10s. and are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London.

So seised, the said *Edmund* on the last day of April, 21 Eliz. [1579] enfeoffed thereof *Paul Pope* and *Thomas Pope*, to the use of himself for the term of his life; and after his decease, to the use of the said *Roger Bragge* and *Joan*, afterwards and at the time of the death of the said *Joan* the wife of the said *Roger*, and the heirs of the body of the said *Roger* by the said *Joan*; for default, to the use of the said *Roger* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of *Edward Bragge* 2nd son of the said *Edmund* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of the said *Edmund Bragge* and the heirs of his body; for default, to the use of *Susan Fitchett*, daughter of *Walter Fitchett* and the heirs of her body; and for default to the use of the said *Edmund Bragge* and his heirs for ever: by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Edmund* was thereof seised, with remainder and reversion as above: after his death, the said *Roger* and *Joan* entered into the said premises and were thereof seised in their demesne, *viz.*, the said *Roger* in his demesne as of fee tail to him and the heirs of his body by the said *Joan*, and the said *Joan* in her demesne as of free tenement for the term of her life, with remainder as above.

Roger Bragge died 11 November last past; *Edmund Bragge* is his son and next heir and on the 19th day of September last past was aged 18 years and not more.

The said *Joan* survived the said *Roger* and is still living in the said parish of St. Bride in the ward of Farringdon Without.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 268, No. 152.

John Poulett, Marquis of Winchester.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 June, 19 Eliz. [1577], before *John Rougley* (?), knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Poulett*, knight, Earl of *Wiltshire*, and Marquis of *Winchester*, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Robert Dyckenson*, *John Harrison*, *John Keblewhite*, *Robert Langewith*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *Thomas Hackett*, *Thomas Langham*, *William Povey*, *John . . .*, *William Layer*, *John Welde*, *John Ricardes* and *Edward Owyn*, who say that

King Henry the 8th, father of the Queen that now is, was seised of the site, house and precinct of the late monastery or Priory formerly of the Augustine Friars within the said City of London formerly dissolved, and all the sollars, houses, structures, gardens, stables and waste grounds within the said site; and so seised, by Letters Patent dated 22 April in the 31st year of his reign, granted to *William Poulett*, late of the Order of the Garter, knight, Earl of *Wiltshire* and Marquis of *Winchester*, late High Treasurer of England, deceased, by the name of his most dear councillor *Sir William Poulett*, knight, Lord St. *John*, *inter alia*, all that large messuage by the said Lord St. *John* then lately built situate within the precinct and walls of the said late priory, and all the houses, buildings, curtilages, gardens and waste lands to the said messuage adjoining, then in the tenure of the said Lord St. *John*, to the said late priory then belonging; and 1 yearly rent of 40s. issuing out of the said large messuage: to hold to the said late Marquis and his heirs for ever.

And the said late King being seised of the residue of the said site by Letters Patent dated 26 July in the 32nd year of his reign granted to *Thomas Wriothesley*, knight, then one of his secretaries, all that large mansion or messuage then late in the tenure of *Richard Riche*, knight, lying within the close, circuit and walls of the said house late of the said Augustine Friars; 1 messuage, 1 hall, 1 bakehouse, 1 stable and 2 gardens and all other the houses, buildings, land and soil to the said large house next adjacent, then late in the tenure of the said *Richard Riche*. By the same Letters Patent the said King granted to the said *Thomas* all that messuage and the garden thereto adjacent in the which

William Sherlond then dwelt situate next the messuage of the said *Richard Riche*, and all those rooms and houses then in the tenure of *Richard Duke* situate next to the said house and building of the said late King then late in the tenure of the said *Richard Riche*; and 1 enclosure and all that land, soil and building called le Cloister next adjoining the said messuage, late in the tenure of the said *Richard Riche*, and all the houses upon and about the said cloister and nearly adjoining it; and all the kitchen of the said Friars situate next the said cloister on the east part thereof; and 1 curtilage and well in the said enclosure lying between the said cloister and the said tenement then in the tenure of the said *William Shurlande*; the house then situate on the south part of the said curtilage; and all the messuages, hall, bake-house, houses, kitchen, lands, soil, garden, &c., then being within the close, circuit and walls of the said house of the said Augustine Friars which late were of *Thomas Earl of Essex* attainted of high treason: to hold to the said *Thomas Wriothesley* and his heirs for ever. By virtue whereof the said *Thomas Wriothesley* was seised of the said premises in his demesne as of fee, and so seised he having first obtained licence from the King enfeoffed thereof the said *William*, Marquis of *Winchester*: to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

The said late King being seised of the residue of the said late site by other Letters Patent dated 3 March, in the 33rd year of his reign gave to the said *William* Marquis of *Winchester* all that messuage and tenement then or late in the tenure of *Thomas Poulett*, and formerly in that of *Marcellus de la More*; situate within the close and walls of the said site, and all the cellars, sollars and buildings thereto belonging; 1 small garden then enclosed with palings next to the said messuage; and all that large garden to the said messuage adjacent, then or heretofore in the tenure of the said *Thomas Poulett* and formerly in that of the said *Marcellus de la More* and *John Parnell* of London, draper: to hold to the said late Marquis and his heirs for ever.

And the said late King being seised of the residue of the said site, by Letters Patent dated 25 November in the 38th year of his reign granted to *Lawrence Harwarde* and *Stephen Tenante* all that site, circuit and precinct of the late house of the said Augustine Friars, then or late in the tenure and demise of *Richard Morison*, and all the walls enclosing the said site, and all the houses, &c., underwritten lying within the said site, viz., all that room called the Priors chamber then late of *Doctor Bowlande*, and a garden adjoining on the south part of the choir there, from the chapel of St. John the Baptist up to the "backegate on the streteside," and late belonging to the demise of — *Howell*, all that large chapter house then being in the principal

cloister, and the small chapter house adjoining the choir there; all that part of the dormitory above the said choir called "Callys" *alias* "and hostery," 2 vestries one whereof lies under and the other over the chapel called the Dukes Chapple and then thereto annexed, with 1 curtilage thereto adjoining and other appurtenances lying within the precinct of the said late House, the messuage and the cellars, sollars and a curtilage thereto adjoining, then or late in the tenure of *Thomas Geffrey* and *Agnes* his wife; all that room called Bachilers Geffreyes chamber, then or late in the occupation of *Robert Roughe*, and free entry, exit, ingress and egress in and to all the said premises: all which said messuages, rooms, &c., were then let together to the said *Richard Morison* and belonged to the said House; also all the principal cloister within the said House, and all that piece of land lying within the said principal cloister and the dormitory built over the said cloister on the west side; and all that waste plot of land situate between the Church of the said late House and a house of Lord St. John called Staplehall containing in length 126 feet and in breadth between the dormitory and the house called Mores Howse 40 feet being within the said House: to hold to them and their heirs for ever. By virtue whereof the said *Lawrence Harwarde* and *Stephen Tenante* were seised of all the said premises in their demesne as of fee, and so seised, they enfeoffed thereof the said late Marquis of Winchester: to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

The said King Henry 8 died seised of the residue of the said Site, which then descended to King *Edward 6* as his son and heir, who was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee in right of his Crown of England, and by his Letters Patent dated 22 July, in the 4th year of his reign granted to the said late Marquis of *Winchester* all the upper part of the church of the late Augustine Friars within the said City, *viz.*, the choir and "le Crosse Ile" and the chapel there and the places and buildings called "le quier and le Crosse Ile and les Chapples" being within the same, and all the land, soil and ground thereof: to hold to him and his heirs for ever, by virtue whereof the said Marquis was seised of all the said premises in his demesne as of fee.

So seised, he enfeoffed *Christopher Hatton*, esq., of all that messuage late in the tenure of the said *Thomas Poulett* and formerly in that of *Marcell de la More* and a garden thereto belonging, and now enclosed on the east part with the said messuage and with the house of a certain *Nicholas Bluntt* and with the wall called le Brecke wall of the said *John* Marquis of *Winchester*, and on the west part with the wall called a stonewall and the buildings of the said House dividing the said garden from the garden called the Drapers garden, on the north part with the porch of the said Marquis and on the south with the

buildings of the said House: to hold to the said *Christopher* and his heirs for ever.

As to the residue, the said *John* died seised thereof in his demesne as of fee.

The premises granted by the said Letters Patent of the 22nd April, 31 Hen. 8, are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 10th part of a knight's fee; the premises granted by the said Letters Patent of the 26 July, 32 Hen. 8, are held of the Queen by knight's service, *viz.* by the 20th part of a knight's fee; and the premises granted by the said Letters Patent of the 3rd March, 33 Hen. 8, are held of the Queen by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee; the premises granted by the said Letters Patent dated 25 November, 38 Hen. 8, are held of the Queen in free socage, *viz.* by fealty only and not in chief; the premises specified in the said Letters Patent of 22 July, 4 Edw. 6, are held of the Queen as of her manor of Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free socage.

The premises whereof the said *John* late Marquis of Winchester died seised are worth per ann, clear, £6 2s. 8d.

The said Marquis died 4 November last past; *William Poulett*, knight, Earl of *Wiltshire* and Marquis of *Winchester* is his son and heir and was then aged 40 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 178, No. 17.

Peter Tonge.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 October, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *William Rider*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Peter Tonge*, late of London, gentleman, by the oath of *William Crowch*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Durant*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feild*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowch*, *Henry Earsley*, *Hugh Sherrat*, *Martin Lumley*, *William Downing* and *Thomas Pulford*, who say that

Peter Tonge long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee tail, *viz.*, to him and the heirs of his body lawfully begotten, of 1 large messuage, house or hospice now divided into divers tenements called Crowne Court or Andrews Crosse situate in the parish of St. Dunstan within the Bars of the New Temple, London; 1 tenement to the said messuage closely adjoining and annexed, being in Chauncerie Lane, in the tenure of *William Bushell*; and 16 tenements and 3 gardens in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldersgate, London, in a street commonly called Aldersgatestreete, now or late in the several

tenures of *Timothy Willey, Edward Young, Robert Griffin, William Horsey, Ralph Taylor, Nicholas Smithson, Robert Joanes, Robert Gar-side, Matthew Emrie, Edward Kirkhaugh, Robert Cleiton, William Tipper, Francis Wingfeild* and — *Harris*.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and by the yearly rent or tenth of ros. to be paid and reserved to the Queen and her heirs for ever, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Peter Tonge died 1 May last past; *Godetha Besaker*, widow, late the wife of *Nicholas Besaker*, deceased, *Elizabeth Pech*, wife of *Henry Pech*, and *Frances Holbech*, wife of *William Holbech*, are the daughters and next heirs of the body of the said *Peter*: the said *Godetha* was then aged 34 years and more, the said *Elizabeth Pech* 30 years and more and the said *Frances Holbech* 23 years and more.

Anne, relict of the said *Peter*, still survives in the City of London and is dowered of all the said premises according to the law of England.

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John Fowke, gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 11 May, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *William Ryder*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Fowke*, gent., by the oath of *William Crowche, Edward Pyllesworthe, Robert Durant, George Holman, Andrew Feylde, Humphrey Hooper, Edward Catcher, Peter Noxon, Henry Earsley, William Abbott, Elias Parrie, Hugh Sharrat* and *Martin Lumley*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *John Fowke* a certain *Richard Fowke*, late citizen and Grocer of London, father of the said *John*, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 part of a messuage commonly called by the name of the Signe of the Lambe, with all shops, cellars, sollars and other easements, late in the tenure of the said *Richard Fowke*, situate in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West in the suburbs of the City of London.

So seised, the said *Richard Fowke* by indenture 11 November, 16 Eliz. [1574], demised and to farm let to a certain *John Fowke*, gent., the said messuage, for the term of 60 years, beginning immediately after the death of the said *Richard*, paying therefore yearly 33s. 4d.

Afterwards, viz. on the 21st day of April, 30 Eliz. [1588], the said *Richard* died at London; after whose death the said *John Fowke* entered into the said premises, and was and still is thereof possessed

for the residue of the said term, the reversion thereof belonging to the said *Richard* and his heirs.

So seised of the said reversion, the said *Richard* made his will in writing and thereby bequeathed as follows: I will that my house wherein I now dwell and whereof I have the fee simple, shall be wholly in the use and possession of my wife during her life natural, as by the said will dated 21 April, 1588, more fully appears.

The said *Richard Fowke* died 21 April, 30 Eliz. [1588], at London, after whose death the said messuage descended as of right to the said *John Fowke* named in the writ, by virtue whereof he was seised of the said reversion as of fee and died thereof seised, after whose death the said reversion descended as of right to *Richard Fowke* brother and next heir of the said *John Fowke* named in the writ.

The said messuage called the Lambe is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and is worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d.

Cristiana, late the wife of the said *Richard Fowke*, still survives in London.

John Fowke died 11 September last past; *Richard Fowke* is his brother and next heir and was then aged 23 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 265, No. 53.

William Isborde alias Isborne.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 15 August, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *William Rider*, knight, Mayor and escheator after the death of *William Isborde alias Isborne*, citizen and haberdasher of London, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feild*, *George Gonby*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Catcher*, *Henry Erdesley*, *William Abbott*, *Elias Parry*, *Robert Durrante*, *Alexander Ashehurste*, *Hugh Sharratt*, *Martin Lumley*, and *William Downing*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *William Isborde* a certain *William Sympton* was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage situate in Aldermanburie in the parish of St. Laurence in Old Jewry within the City of London in the tenure of the said *William Sympton*.

So seised, the said *William Sympton* by deed dated 1 June, 32 Eliz. [1590], made between himself of the one part and the said *William Isborde* and *Alice* his wife, of the other part, for the consideration therein mentioned, bargained and sold to the said *William* and *Alice* the said messuage: to hold to them and the heirs of the said *William Isborde*

for ever, by virtue whereof they entered into the said messuage and were thereof seised, *viz.*, the said *William* in his demesne as of fee, and the said *Alice* in her demesne as of free tenement for the term of her life.

The said *William Isborde* long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 other messuage called le Crowne lying in the parish of St. Michael in le Querne within the City of London; and so seised, by indenture dated 20 November, 38 Eliz. [1595], made between himself of the one part and a certain *John Orme* gent., and *Henry Wellington*, citizen and grocer of London, of the other part, in consideration of a marriage then to be had between *William Wellington* then of Staple Inn in Holborne in co. Middlesex, gent., now deceased, and *Agnes Isborde* only daughter of the said *William Isborde* agreed with the said *John Orme* and *Henry Wellington* that he and his heirs would be seised of the said messuage called le Crowne and of the said messuage purchased of the said *William Sympson* to the use of him the said *William Isborde* and *Alice* his wife for the term of their lives and of the survivor of them; and after their decease, to the use of the said *William Wellington* and *Agnes* and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Agnes* for ever; by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *William Isborde* and *Alice* were seised of the said premises in their demesne as of free tenement for the term of their lives, with remainder as above.

Before the death of the said *William Isborde* the said *John Orme* and *Henry Wellington* were seised in their demesne as of fee of 1 corner messuage being at the corner of Old Jewry next the Poultry in the Parish of St. Mary Colchurch, London; and so seised, by deed dated 2 February, 38 Eliz. [1596], sold the said corner house to the said *William Isborde* and *Alice*: to hold to them and the heirs of the said *William* until the solemnization of the marriage between the said *William Wellington* and *Agnes*; afterwards to hold the same to them and the heirs male of the body of the said *William*; for default, the remainder thereof to the said *William Wellington* and *Agnes* and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to the right heirs of the said *Agnes* for ever.

Afterwards the said marriage was solemnized, and then the said *William Isborde* and *Alice* were seised of the said messuage, with remainders as above.

The messuage in Aldermanburie is held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free socage and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage called the Crowne is held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London and

not in chief, and it is worth per ann., clear, 46s. 8d. The said corner house in the parish of St. Mary Colchurch is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, *viz.*, by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

William Isborde died 1 May, 42 Eliz. [1600] without heir male of his body; the said *Agnes*, late the wife of the said *William Wellington* and now the wife of *Jeronimus Heydon*, is his only daughter and next heir, and was then aged 18 years and more.

The said *Alice*, late the wife of the said *William*, still survives.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 265, No. 54.

Margaret Sharles, Widow.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 4 July, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *William Ryder*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Margaret Sharles*, late of London, widow, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Durham*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feild*, *George Gunbye*, *Richard Crayford*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Kecher*, *Henry Earsleye*, *William Abbot*, *Elias Parrye*, *Alexander Ashehurst*, *Hugh Sherrat*, *Martin Lumley* and *William Downinge*, who say that

Margaret Sharles long before and at the time of her death was seised in her demesne as of fee of all that messuage and tenement called the Harrowe, formerly in the tenure of *George Wymarke* and late in that of the said *Margaret*, situate within Newgate, London, and all the houses, buildings, shops, orchard, gardens, &c., thereto belonging: which said messuage and other the premises are now divided and converted into 6 messuages and now are or late were in the several tenures of the said *Margaret Sharles*, *Ralph Treswell*, *Thomas Lyde*, *Robert Culter*, *Richard Staples* and *George Harryson*.

So seised, the said *Margaret Sharles* made her will and thereby devised (*inter alia*) as follows: I bequeath my messuage in the said parish of Christ Church, wherein I dwell, with all the furniture and household utensils now being in the same to *Agnes Howe*, daughter of *John Howe*, and to the heirs of her body; and for default, to *Agnes Howe* mother of the said *Agnes* and to the heirs of the body of the said *Agnes* the mother lawfully begotten; for default, to *Alice Sharles*, daughter of my brother-in-law, *Thomas Sharles*, and to her heirs for ever; and for default, to *Humphrey Barker alias Wardner*, tailor, and to his heirs for ever.

I give to my kinswoman *Alice Sharles* the messuage wherein *Mr*

Treswell now dwells with all the implements and furniture thereof, situate in the said parish of Christchurch: to hold to her and the heirs of her body; for default, to my said niece *Agnes Howe* and the heirs of her body; for default, then to *Agnes Howe*, mother of the said *Agnes*, and the heirs of her body; and for default, to the said *Humphrey Barker alias Wardner* and his heirs for ever.

I will the tenement wherein *Thomas Lyde* our minister now dwells to the said *Thomas Lyde* and *Sybell* his wife for their lives, they paying therefore yearly to my niece *Alice Charles* 40s.; after their decease, I give the same to the said *Alice Charles* and the heirs of her body; for default, to my said niece *Agnes Howe*, and the heirs of her body, with remainders as above.

I devise my tenement in Warwick Lane wherein *Robert Colter* now dwells to *Margaret Harryson* my Goddaughter and the heirs of her body; for default, to *George Harryson*, brother of the said *Margaret*, and to the heirs of his body; for default, to the said *Agnes Howe* my niece and the heirs of her body, with remainders as above.

I give the tenement wherein the said *Mr. Staples* now dwells to my said brother-in-law *John Howe* and to the heirs of his body; for default, to the said *Agnes Howe* the mother and the heirs of her body; for default, to the said *Agnes Charles* and the heirs of her body; and for default, to the said *Humphrey Barker* and his heirs for ever.

I bequeath to my said sister-in-law *Agnes Howe* the messuage in Warwick Lane now in the occupation of *George Harryson*: to hold during her life natural; and after her decease, to my said niece *Agnes Howe* and the heirs of her body; for default, to the said *Alice Charles* and the heirs of her body; and for default, to the said *Humphrey Barker* and his heirs for ever, as by the said will dated 2 September, 1600, it more fully appears.

The said messuage called the Harrowe and all other the premises are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage of the City of London, and not in chief; and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Margaret Charles died 11 September, 42 Eliz.; *Cristina Wardner* is her sister and next heir, and was then aged 60 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 265, No. 56.

Lancelot Batherst, Citizen and Grocer.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, on Wednesday the 22nd day of July, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *William Ryder*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Lancelot Batherst*, esq., citizen and grocer of

London, by the oath of *William Crowche, John Jennings, Robert Durrant, Peter Noxon, Cuthbert Lee, George Gunby, Edward Katcher, Michael Crowche, Richard Crafford, William Abbott, Elias Parrye, Alexander Asherste, Hugh Sharratte and William Downinge*, who say that

Lancelot Batherst long before his death was seized in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage commonly called the Corner house in Colman streete, London, lying in the parishes of St. Margaret in Lothbury and St. Stephen in Colman street, London: which said messuage was formerly divided into 2 messuages and was lately converted into one, and divers courts, shops, sellars, and sollars to the said messuage belonging: which said messuage the said *Lancelot* purchased of *Richard Warham*, citizen and clothworker of London, and formerly or late was in the occupation of the said *Richard* and now is in that of *Christopher Eland*, citizen and merchant of the City of London; 4 messuages which late were 1 messuage lying in the parish of St. Mary Monthall or St. Mary Somerset in the said City; 4 other messuages which were lately used for stables and are now divided into 4 tenements and lie in the said parish of St. Mary Monthall: which said 8 messuages the said *Lancelot* purchased of *Thomas Harris* and *Mary* his wife: they are now in the several tenures of *Mark Bateman, John Davye, Roland Jones, John Bullocke, Richard Lawlese, Griffin Vaughan* and *Richard Bennett*.

So seised, the said *Lancelot* made his will and thereby bequeathed *inter alia* as follows:

I give my messuages lying in the parishes of St. Mary Somerset and St. Mary Monthalls or elsewhere in London and the corner house of Colman Street, which is extended by *Customer Smyth*, deceased, for certain years yet to come, to my son *Randolph, Batherst* and to the heirs male of his body begotten for ever.

The messuages in Colman Street and other the premises were extended and seised long before the death of the said *Lancelot* into the hands of the Queen for a debt of £104 7s. 4d., which the said *Richard Warham* then owed to *Thomas Smyth*, esq., then farmer of the Queen of her customs and subsidies of her goods and of merchandizes brought to her ports of London, Sandwich, Chichester, Southampton and Ipswich and to the creek of Woodbridge, parcel of the port of Yarmouth, in co. Norfolk: which said *John Smyth* was then indebted to the Queen in divers large sums of money for rent of the farm of the premises, as in the memoranda and rolls of the Exchequer more fully appeared, and so remained in the Queen's hands up to the feast of St. Michael the Archangel, 41 Eliz. The messuage and other the premises in the said parishes of St. Margaret in Lothbury and St. Stephen in Colman Street were worth nothing per ann. at the time of the death of the said

Lancelot by reason of the said extent, but immediately after the extent was finished, they were and now are worth per ann., clear, £4, and are held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, by fealty only and not in chief. The 4 messuages in the said parish of St. Mary Monthalls or St. Mary Somerset were worth per ann. at the death of the said *Lancelot* 60s., clear, and are held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage of the said City and not in chief. The other 4 messuages in the said parish of St. Mary Monthall were worth per ann. when the said *Lancelot* died 60s., clear, and are held of the Queen by fealty only as of her manor of East Greenwich in free socage and not in chief.

Lancelot Batherst died 26 September, 38 Eliz. [1596], *Randolph Batherst* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 20 years, 3 months and 6 days, and was married to *Katherine Argall* one of the daughters of *Richard Argall*, esq., deceased, in the lifetime of the said *Lancelot*.

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Richard Williamson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 22 July, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *Walter Cope*, esq., feodary, *Edmund Ferrand*, gent, deputy escheator, and *Richard Putto*, gent, commissioners, to enquire as to the idiotcy of *Richard Williamson*, by virtue of a commission to them and to *William Ryder*, Mayor and escheator, *John Stanley*, esq. and *Henry Corbett*, gent, directed, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Durant*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *George Gunbye*, *Edward Katcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Richard Crafford*, *William Abbote*, *Elias Parrey*, *Alexander Ashurst*, *Hugh Sharrat* and *William Downinge*, who say that

The said *Richard Williamson* is not an idiot nor of weak mind.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2., vol. 265, No. 3.

Richard Wood alias Hull, Ediot.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 April, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *William Ryder*, Mayor and escheator, to enquire as to the lunacy of *Richard Woodd alias Hull*, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *Robert Durant*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feylde*, *George Gunby*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Catcher*, *Thomas Pulforde*, *William Abbott*, *Alexander Ashehurste*, *Hugh Sherratt* and *Martin Lomley*, who say that

Richard Woodd alias Hull is a lunatic and is not of sound mind and does not enjoy lucid intervals, so that he is not fit to govern his lands, tenements, goods and chattels, and that he has remained in that state from the 1st day of March, 22 Eliz. [1580], and still remains so.

On the said 1st day of March the said *Richard Woodd* was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called Wooddes Howse, 30 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 40 acres of pasture and 15 acres of moss in Muckelon in co. Salop; 1 other messuage called Goldes Howse and 20 acres of pasture in Muckleton; 1 messuage called Amyns Howse and 20 acres of meadow in Muckleton; 1 pasture called Gossages Lessowe and another pasture called Muckleton bridge Lessowe and 20 acres of land; and three messuages called Sevelles Howse, Shawes Howse and Wooddes Howse in Edgbolton in the said county.

Of whom all the said premises are held the jurors know not; they are worth per ann., clear, £10. Whether the said *Richard Woodd* alienated any of them during his lunacy is not known.

Robert Woodd alias Hull is the brother and next heir of the said *Richard*, and is now aged 40 years and more.

Chan, Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 265, No. 47.

Richard Stoneley, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 24 January, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *John Hare*, esq., *Jerome Bettenham*, esq., *William Moseley* gent, and *William Necton*, gent., commissioners, after the death of *Richard Stoneley*, esq., by the oath of *William Crowche*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Durant*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *George Holman*, *Andrew Feild*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Kitcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Richard Craiford*, *William Abbott*, *Elias Parrey*, *Alexander Ashurst*, *Hugh Shar-ratt* and *Martin Lumley*, who say that

Richard Stoneley, long before his death, was seised in his demesne as of fee of all that measuage situate in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldersgate, London, late in the tenure of him the said *Richard Stoneley*; of all that manor of Kensington in the parish of Duddinghurst in co. Essex; and 1 messuage with 20 acres of land in Duddinghurst, in the tenure of — *Glasier*, widow.

So seised, the said *Richard* by deed dated 29 June, 24 Eliz. [1582] enfeofed *John Branche* of the City of London, knight, *Daniel Dunn*, Doctor of Laws, and *William Usedall* of the City of London of all the said premises in co. Essex: to hold to them and their heirs for ever to the use of the said *Richard Stoneley* and *Anne* his wife and the longer

liver of them without impeachment of waste; and after their decease, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Richard Stoneley* for ever, by pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses, the said *Richard* and *Anne* were seised of the said premises in Essex in their demesne as of free tenement for the term of their lives.

The said *Richard Stoneley* was also seised on the day of his death in his demesne as of fee of certain lands called Duddinghurst Parke in Duddinghurst in co. Essex in the tenure of *Richard Godfrey* and *Robert Pearce*; 1 messuage in Eastham in the said county, now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Heiward*; 1 parcel of marsh in Eastham in the tenure of *Giles Breame*; 1 messuage in Barking in the said county, now or late in the tenure of *Andrew Holdernes*; 3 acres of land in Brickman Lane in Eastham, now or late in the tenure of *Giles Breame*; and the reversion only or so much rent to be taken therefrom for the term of $6\frac{1}{2}$ years, 1 month and 7 days from the death of the said *Richard Stoneley* of all the lands, tenements and hereditaments hereunder written as follows: viz., of the reversion of the rectory of Eastham in co., Essex, now or late is the several tenures of *William Heigham*, esq., *William Smith* and *Richard Reynoldes*; the reversion of 1 parcel of marsh containing 8 a. of land in Eastham in the tenure of *William Parret*; of 1 parcel of marsh there, containing 4 acres of land, late in the tenure of *John Wiede* of Barking, gent.; and of certain lands there called Eastdowne, containing 12 acres of land late in the tenure of *William Parret*.

The said *Richard Stoneley* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor or messuage called Over Ichington in Ichington Episcopi in co. Warwick.

The said messuage in the City of London was on the 8th day of June, 39 Eliz. [1597], by *John Wattes* and *Richard Goddard* then sheriffs of the said City taken into the Queen's hands towards the payment of the debt of the said *Richard Stoneley* of £12,779 13s 3 $\frac{1}{4}$ d. adjudged against the said *Richard* in the Exchequer Court for the said Queen, and it still remains in the Queen's hands for the said debt, as appears by the certificate of the said *John Wattes* and *Richard Goddarde*. The manor of Kensington and the said messuage and land in Duddinghurst are held of *Thomas Glascocke*, gent., as of his manor of Duddinghurst by fealty only for all service, and are worth per ann. £5. The lands called Duddinghurst Park in Duddinghurst, formerly parcel of the manor of Duddinghurst are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann. 40s. The 5 acres of meadow in Blackmore in co. Essex late in the tenure of the said *Richard Stoneley* are held of *Humphrey Mildmaye*, esq., as of his manor of Fyngrieth in the said county by fealty only for all

service, and are worth per ann. 10s. The messuage in Eastham late in the tenure of *Thomas Heiward* is held of *Giles Breame*, gent., as of his manor of Eastham by fealty only, and is worth per ann. 10s. The messuage in Barking is held of the Queen as of her manor of Barking by fealty only, and is worth per ann. 10s. The parcel of marsh in Eastham in the tenure of *Giles Breame* and the 3 acres of land in Brickman Lane in Eastham, now or late in the tenure of the said *Giles*, the reversion of the rectory of Eastham and of the parcel of marsh there, containing 8 acres, and of the parcel of marsh there, containing 4 acres, and of the land called Eastdowne, late parcels of the manor of Eastham are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth £3. All which premises in co. Essex were in the life time of the said *Richard Stoneley*, viz., on the 26th day of May, 39 Eliz. [1597], by *George Harvie*, esq., then sheriff of the said county, likewise taken into the Queen's hand towards the payment of the said debt of the said *Richard*, and still remain in her hand, as by a certain Inquisition taken at Brentwoode in the said county on the day and year aforesaid it more fully appears. The manor of Over Ichington in co. Warwick is held of the Queen in free socage only, and not in chief or by knight's service, and is worth per ann. £5: which said manor was on the 1st day of September, 39 Eliz. [1597], by *Robert Burgoine*, then sheriff of the said county, likewise seised into the Queen's hand towards the payment of the said debt, and still remains in her hands, as by an Inquisition taken at Warwicke on the said day and year more fully appears.

Richard Stoneley died at London 19 February, 42 Eliz. [1600], *Dorothy Dawtrey*, widow, and *Anne Heigham*, wife of the said *William Heigham*, are his daughters and next heirs and were then of full age, viz. the said *Dorothy* 40 years and more, and the said *Anne* 36 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 266, No. 81.

John Shorte, Lunatic.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 October, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *William Ryder*, knight, Mayor and escheator, to enquire into the lunacy of *John Shorte*, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Edward Pilsworth*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Durant*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feilde*, *George Gunbye*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Thomas Pulford*, *William Abbote*, *Elias Parrie*, *Alexander Ashhurst*, *Hugh Charrot*, *Martin Lumby* and *William Downing*, who say that

John Shorte is a lunatic and not of sound mind and does not enjoy lucid intervals, and is not fit to govern himself or his lands and goods, and has been in this state since the 13th day of March last, and he still remains a lunatic by the visitation of God. During his infirmity he has not alienated any lands to the knowledge of the jurors, and divers lands, tenements, goods and chattels remain to him as below. Long before the taking of this Inquisition, viz. on the 20 day of September, 30 Eliz. [1588], a certain *John Shorte*, citizen and tallowchandler of London, father of the said *John*, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage known by the name of le Reed Crosse in Broad street in the City of London in the ward of Queenhith, London, and so seised, by his will bequeathed the said messuage as follows [here given in English]: Touching the disposal of my messuage whereof I am seised of an estate in fee simple called the Redd Crosse, now divided into several tenements situate in the parish of St. Nicholas Olave in Bredstrete with all the hereditaments thereto belonging: I give the same as follows: first, I devise all that part of the said messuage opening and abutting upon Bredstrete, now in the occupation of *Widow Harrison* to *Thomas Shorte* my son and to the heirs male of his body; for default, I give the same to *John Short* my son and to the heirs male of his body; for default, I will that the same shall be sold by my overseers to the most advantage, and that the money coming from such sale shall be given to such of my daughters as shall be then living, share and share alike. All the residue of the said messuage called the Redd Crosse lying backward from Bredstret and opening into Huguen lane I give to *John Shorte* my son and to the heirs male of his body, excepting out of this demise to the said *John* all that warehouse and door and way to the same opening into Huggin Lane and now in the occupation of the said *Widow Harrison* which I give to the said *Thomas* my son and to the heirs male of his body, as the other part of the said messuage opening into Bredstrete is to him devised. For default of issue male of the body of my son *John* I give the said back part of the said messuage opening into Huggin lane to the said *Thomas Shorte* my son and the heirs male of his body; for default, I will that the said back part be sold, and the money coming therefrom to be distributed by my overseers to my said daughters. If any of my said daughters die leaving children, their share of the said money shall go to such children.

The said *John Shorte* the father died 1 August, 33 Eliz. [1591], at London, after whose death the said *Thomas Shorte* entered into the said part of the said messuage so to him devised, and was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee tail, viz., to him and the heirs male of his body,

with remainder as above, and the said *John Shorte* (named in the writ) entered into the other part of the said messuage and was thereof seised in like manner,

Afterwards, *viz.*, on the 28th day of September, 43 Eliz. [1601] the said *Thomas Shorte* died so seised at the Old Bailey in the said City of London without heirs of his body, by virtue whereof the said *John* was and still is seised of the whole messuage called the Redd Crosse in his demesne as of fee tail.

Of whom the said messuage is held the jurors know not, it is worth per ann., clear, £10.

The said *John Shorte* had no issue of his body, but *Anne Cavell* now the wife of *Richard Cavell* and *Sara Mathew*, wife of *Nathaniel Mathew*, sisters of the said *John*, and *John Lee*, kinsman of the said *John*, *viz.*, son and heir of *Juliana Lee*, another sister of the said *John Shorte*, are his heirs: the said *Anna* and *Sara* are aged 20 years and more, and the said *John Lee* 19 years and not more.

The said *John Shorte* was possessed on the day of his lunacy of £10 in money.

A certain *Henry Adames* by deed obligatory acknowledged himself to be bound to the said *John* in the sum of £100 for the payment of £52.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 266, No. 93.

Thomas Webb, Citizen and Haberdasher.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 October, 43 Eliz. [1601] before *William Ryder*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Webb*, late citizen and haberdasher of London, by the oath of *William Crowch*, *John Jennynge*s, *Robert Durham*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feild*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowch*, *Henry Earsley*, *Hugh Sherratt*, *Martin Lumley*, *William Downing*, and *Thomas Pulford*, who say that

Thomas Webb was seised in his demesne as of fee of the moiety of all that manor or farm called *Aryndell alias Arundell* in co. Kent and of the moiety of 68 acres of land in the parish of Minster in the Island of Thanet, in co. Kent, parcel of the said manor; and the moiety of all other the lands, tenements, meadows, woods, marshes, rents, &c., lying in the vills, parishes and fields of Mynster and Monketon, in the said Island of Thanet or elsewhere to the said manor belonging.

The said *Thomas* was also seised as of fee and right, to him and his heirs of the reversion expectant after the death of *Thomas Webb*, senior, who still survives, brother of the said *Thomas Webb*, deceased, of the

other moiety of the said manor or farm called Aryndell and of the said 68 acres of land and of all other the said messuages, lands, &c., in Minster and Monketon.

The said *Thomas Webb* (named in the writ) was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage, tenement, or inn, called le Crossekeyes, lying in White Cross Street in the parish of St. Giles without Cripelgate in London, now or late in the tenure of *John Garrett*, and at one time being 2 messuages; also of 3 other messuages being in the said White Cross Street, now or late in the several tenures of *Michael Blackborne*, *Peter Mere* and *John Kelstarne*, at one time being 4 tenements; also of 2 messuages or cottages with a garden and orchard thereto belonging lying in the parish of St. Mary Bredden *alias* Breddyn in the City of Canterbury, and now or late in the tenure of *John Humble* and *Tussen True*; also 2 messuages or cottages and 2 gardens thereto belonging being in the parish of St. Mary within the said City of Canterbury, now or late in the occupations of — *Carre*, widow, and — *Tussen*.

So seised, the said *Thomas Webb* made his will, 12 March, 43 Eliz. [1601], and thereby bequeathed to *Thomas Webb* his elder son all that manor of Aryndell and all the messuages, lands, rents, &c., thereto belonging lying in Minster and Monketon aforesaid: to hold to him and the heirs male of his body; for default, to *Berington Webb* his son and the heirs male of his body; for default, the remainder thereof to *John Webb* his 3rd son and the heirs male of his body; and for default, to *Nicholas* his 4th son and the heirs male of his body; for default, the remainder thereof to *Francis Webb* his 7th son [*sic*] and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the heirs male of the body of the said *Thomas Webb* (named in the writ) for ever; and for default, to the right heirs of the said *Thomas Webb* for ever.

The said *Thomas Webb* likewise bequeathed 2 parts (in 3 parts to be divided) of all his messuages and lands in White Crosse Street to *Nicholas Webb* and *Berington Webb* his sons and the heirs male of their bodies; for default, the remainder thereof to the said *Thomas Webb*, the son, and the heirs male of his body; for default, they successively in tail male to the said *John Webb*, *William Webb*, *Francis Webb*, the heirs male of the body of the said *Thomas Webb*, and his right heirs for ever.

The said *Thomas Webb* by his said will gave to *John Webb* his son all his messuages, lands, &c., in Canterbury: to hold to him and his heirs male; for default, then successively in tail male to the said *Thomas*, *Nicholas*, *William*, *Berington*, *Francis Webb* his sons, the heirs male of his body, and his right heirs for ever.

The said manor or farm called Aryndell and the messuages, &c.,

thereto belonging, except the said 68 acres of land in Minster are held of the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Canterbury, commonly called Christ Church, as of their manor of Mouncton in the said Island of Thanet in free socage by the yearly rent of 10s. and 1 hen, and suit at court, and the said manor with the said 68 acres of land is worth per ann., clear, £5. The said 68 acres of land in Minster are held of the Queen as of her manor of Minster in free socage by the yearly rent of — fealty and suit at court. The said premises in White Cross Street are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 100th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £4. The messuages, cottages and gardens lying in the parishes of St. Mary Bredden and St. Margaret in Canterbury are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said city, and are worth per ann., clear, 20s.

Thomas Webb died 7 May, 43 Eliz. [1601]; *Thomas Webb* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 29 years.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 266, No. 115.

Nicholas Martyn, Idiot.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 18 July, 44 Eliz. [1602], before *Hugh Beestone*, esq., *Edward Vaughan*, esq., *Edward Wymarke*, esq., and *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., commissioners appointed to inquire into the idiotcy of *Nicholas Martyn*, by virtue of a commission to them and to *William Gerrarde*, esq., directed, by the oath of *William Crowch*, *John Jeninges*, *Clement Buckle*, *Robert Durant*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *George Gunbye*, *Edward Catcher*, *Nicholas Crowch*, *Henry Earslye*, *Richard Crafford*, *William Abbott*, *Elias Parrye*, *Alexander Ashhurst*, *Hugh Sharratt*, *Martin Lumley*, and *William Downyng*, who say that

The said *Nicholas Martyn* is an idiot and does not enjoy lucid intervals, but has been an idiot since his birth, so that he is not capable of governing either himself or his manors, messuages, lands, goods or chattels, but whether the said *Nicholas* has alienated any lands or dissipated any goods the jurors know not.

A certain *Walter Cope*, esq., owes to the said *Nicholas* £200, to be paid when demanded, and divers other persons owe him money, but the jurors do not know the exact amounts.

The said *Nicholas* was possessed of divers goods and chattels being in the hands of divers persons in co. Oxford and elsewhere in divers

counties of England, but the jurors do not know the value thereof or in whose hands they are; neither do they know who is the next heir of the said *Nicholas*.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 269, No. 51.

John Trott, Citizen and Clothworker.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 23 June, 44 Eliz. [1602], before *John Garrard*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Trott*, late citizen and clothworker of London, by the oath of *William Crowche*, *Robert Durham*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Fildes*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *John Jennings*, *George Gunbye*, *Henry Earesley*, *Alexander Ashurste*, *Hugh Sharrat*, *Martyn Lumley*, *William Abot* and *William Downing*, who say that

The said *John Trott* long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage with a garden thereto adjacent, lying in the parish of St. Andrew Undershaft, London, late in the tenure of *William Ryvett*, and now in that of *Thomas Offeley*; 1 messuage situate in the parish of St. John Walbrooke, London, now in the occupation of *Hugh Meredith*; the manor or lordship of Hallwyke *alias* Hallywycke in the parish of Fryerne Barnett in co. Middlesex; and 3 plots of land and meadow called Hogman Herne lying in the parish of Finchley in co. Middlesex.

The said messuage and garden in the said parish of St. Andrew Undershaft are held of the Queen in chief by the 10th part of 1 knight's fee and by the yearly rent of 4s., and are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The said messuage in the said parish of St. John Walbrooke is held of the Queen in free burgage of the City of London, and is worth per ann., clear, 20s. The said manor or lordship of Hallwyke is held of the Queen as of her manor of Bolon by knight's service, *viz.*, by the [blank] part of 1 knight's fee and by the rent of 1 pair of gilt spurs on the day of the coronation of the King for all services, and is worth per ann., clear, £8 13s. 4d. The said 3 plots of land and meadow in Finchley are held of the Bishop of London as of his manor of Finchley in socage, and are worth per ann., clear, 13s. 4d.

John Trott died 9 February, 43 Eliz. [1601]; *John Trott*, gent., is his son and next heir, and was then aged 24 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 269, No. 71.

George Price, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 May, 44 Eliz. [1602], before *John Garrard*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *George Price*, gent., by the oath of *William Crowch*, *Robert Durham*, *Peter Noxon*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feild*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *Elias Parry*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *William Abbott*, *Nicholas Askewe*, *Richard Crafford*, *George Gunbye*, *Henry Earsley*, *Alexander Ashurst*, *Hugh Sharratt*, *Martin Lumley*, *William Downinge*, and *John Jennynge*s, who say that

George Price long before and at the time of his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of the 3rd part of 5 messuages and 1 stable in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West and within the precincts of le White Fryers, London, now or late in the several tenures of *Robert Westwood*, grocer, *John Waynewright*, merchant tailor, *John Hancocke*, skinner, *Thomas Aldwell*, gent., and *Thomas* late *Lord La Warre*, now deceased: which said 3rd part of the said messuages the said *George Price* purchased to him and his heirs of *John Nicholles* of Greenwich in co. Kent, yeoman, and *Susanna* his wife, one of the sisters and co-heirs of *Edward Leighe* late of London, gent., deceased.

So seised, the said *George Price* made his will on the 8th day of January last past, and thereby bequeathed as follow:

As to the 3rd part of 5 messuages and 1 stable in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West, and the rents, reversion and remainder thereof which I lately purchased of *John Nicholles* and *Susan* his wife: I hereby give the same to my cousin *Hugh Speake* of London, gent.: to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

The said 3rd part of the said messuages and stable, together with the other 2 parts of the same, are held of the Queen in chief by the service of the 100th part of 1 knight's fee; and the said 3rd part is worth per ann., clear, £4.

George Price died 20 April last past, the said *Hugh Speake* is his kinsman and next heir, and was then aged 38 years and more. He is still in full life.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 269, No. 79.

William Lambard, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 November, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *John Garrard*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Lambard*, esq., by the oath of *William Crowch*, *Robert Dur-*

ham, John Jennynge, Peter Noxon, Cuthbert Lee, Andrew Feild, Edward Catcher, Michael Crouch, Elias Parry, Humphrey Hooper, William Abbott, Richard Craford, Henry Earsly, Alexander Ashurst, Martin Lumby and William Downinge, who say that

William Lambarde long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage with a garden and wharf, lying on the east part of a certain lane commonly called Cosen lane, situate next Thamystreete in the parish of All Saints the Great in the City of London; 1 other messuage adjoining the said capital messuage on the north and situate on the said east part of the said lane; which said 2 messuages are in the tenure of a certain *Richard Cooper* of the said City, dyer, of the demise of the said *William Lambard*, by indenture, for a term of years not yet completed; 1 other messuage, late a brewe howse, lying on the said east part of the said lane in the tenure of *Edward Vaughan*, esq., of the demise of the said *William Lambard*, for a term of years not yet ended; 1 plot or parcel of land called Charletons adjoining the said brewhouse on the north on the said east part of the said lane, in the tenure of the said *Edward*, of the demise of the said *William Lambard*, containing in length [blank] feet of assize: in which said plot of land there were formerly 3 tenements built; 1 other wharf situate on the west part of the said lane; 2 other messuages and 1 "sopehowse" situate in the said west part of the said lane, demised together by the said *William Lambarde* to a certain *Thomas Knappe*, by indenture for a term of years not yet completed; 1 other messuage, 1 garden, 2 stables and 1 cellar lying in the said west part of the said lane, containing in whole in length 123 feet of assize, and in the breadth 20 feet of assize, now in the several tenures of *William Clercke*, clerk there, and of the said *Thomas Knappe*; 8 other small tenements lying in Alhalloes Lane, *alias* Hay Wharfe lane in the said parish of All Saints the Great within the said City, parcel of a certain "Dyehowse" there and now in the tenure of *Abraham Campion*, brewer, for a term of divers years; and 2 other tenements and 1 plot or parcel of waste land commonly called "A Tennysplay," lying in Suffolke lane lying within the parish of All Saints the Less next Thamystreete, now in the several tenures of *Simon Webbe* and *William Wickes*.

So seised, the said *William Lambard* made his will bearing date 16 May, 1597, and thereby bequeathed as follows: I give to my son *Gore* for the whole term of 21 years, to commence immediately from the day of his age of 22 years, the moiety of all my messuages, lands and tenements lying in Cosyn lane, Alhalloes lane, Hay wharfe lane and Suffolke lane, or elsewhere in London, with the moiety of all the reversions and rents of every of the same; at the end of the said term of 21 years, my

said son *Gore* shall immediately have all the said moiety for the further term of 70 years, "yf soe bee" that he and his wife shall so long live. The other moiety of all my said messuages, reversions rents and premises, I give to my son *Fane* during such 2 several terms of years and in such manner, with such condition and limitation in all points as I have before given the other moiety to his brother *Gore*. As for the freehold and fee of the said premises in London I purposely forbear to declare any will thereof, because some part is held in socage in chief.

The said plot of land called Charltons is held of the Queen in socage in chief by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, 20s. All other the premises lying severally in the said lane called Cosyne lane, in the several tenures of the said *Richard Cooper*, *Edward Vaughan*, *Thomas Knappe* and *William Clerck* are held of the Queen in common socage and free burgage of the City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The 8 small tenements in Alhalloes *alias* Haywharfelane are held of the Queen in socage by fealty only and not in chief, as by Letters Patent of King Henry VIII under the Great Seal of England, dated 5 July in the 36th year of his reign [1544] and made to *John Lambard*, father of the said *William*, plainly appears, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The 2 tenements and the said plot of land called a "Tennysplay" lying in Suffolk lane are held of the Queen in free burgage and common socage by fealty only, and not in chief, and are worth nothing per ann. beyond the sum of £13 of yearly rent, issuing out of the same to *John Horne* and *Jasper Nicholson* by reason of a certain legacy thereof contained in the last will of a certain *Giles Lambarde* lately deceased, as by Letters Patent of the said King Henry VIII, dated 29 August, in the said 36th year of his reign made to *Roger Tavener* and *Robert Tavener* it plainly appears.

William Lambard died 21 August last past; *Multonus* [? *Milton*] *Lambard* is his eldest son and next heir, and is now aged 17 years and 23 days.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 269, No. 83.

John Hulson, citizen and merchant tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 December, 44 Eliz. [1601], before *John Garrard*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Hulson*, late citizen and merchant tailor of London, by the oath of *William Crowch*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Durham*, *Peter Noxon*, *Andrew Feild*, *Edward Catcher*, *George Holman*, *Michael Crowch*, *Elias Parry*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *William Abott*, *Thomas Pulford*, *Richard Blinckhorn*,

Richard Craford, George Gunby, Henry Earsly, Alexander Ashurst, Martin Lumbly and William Downinge, who say that,

John Hulson long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called by the name of le Sonne, lately being 2 messuages, situate in the parish of St. John the Evangelist in Watlinge street, London.

The said *John Hulson* and *Alice* his wife long before the death of the said *John* were seised to them and the heirs of the said *John* of 1 messuage and 12 acres of land, meadow and pasture called Dytches to the said messuage belonging, lying in Shenfeilde in co. Essex; 40 acres of land, meadow, pasture and wood near adjoining the said tenement called Dyches lying in Shenfeilde called Parnells *alias* Peverells, late parcel of the possessions of the late chantry of Brentwoode in co. Essex: which said premises in Shenfeilde the said *John Hulson* late purchased to him and the said *Alice* and the heirs of the said *John* of *George Gascoigne* of the Middle Temple, esq., as by charter dated 27 October, 40 Eliz. [1598], more fully appears.

So seised, the said *John Hulson* made his will 4, October, 43 Eliz. [1601], as follows: I will that all my goods, chattels, leases, household stuff, debts, &c., be divided into 3 equal parts, one whereof I give to my wife, another to *Robert, Anne, Marie and Elizabeth*, my children, equally amongst them, to be paid to my said son at his age of 21, and to my daughters at their ages of 21 or days of marriage, whichever shall first happen; and the other 3rd part I reserve to myself to pay my legacies, as follows:—

I give to my said wife £100.

To my daughter *Margaret Farmer* £5, and to her daughter *Margaret* £5.

To my brother *Churchman*, my brother *Tayllor*, and my brother *Mellishe* a ring of gold each of the value of 53s. 4d. and to my 2 sisters a ring of gold each of the value of 40s. To *Mrs. Rudde* 20s. to make her a ring.

I will that my house called the sign of the Sonne in the parish of St. John the Evangelist in London be sold by my executrix as speedily as may be after my decease for the most profit and advantage, and the money coming from such sale shall be used to fulfill this my will, and my mind is that my said wife shall have the preferment thereof £10 “better cheape” than any other.

I give all the residue of my lands and tenements to the said *Alice* my wife during her widowhood; and after her remarriage, to the said *Robert* my son and his heirs for ever.

The rest of my goods I give to my said son *Robert*.

I make the said *Alice* my wife sole executrix.

The said messuage called le Sonne in the said parish of St. John the Evangelist is held of the Queen by fealty only in free burgage of the City of London and not in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, £4. The messuage and 12 acres of land, meadow and pasture in Shenfeild called Dytches are held of *Thomas Lucas*, knight, lord of the manor of Shenfeilde Hall, as of his said manor by fealty and the yearly rent of 12*d.* The said 40 acres of land, meadow, pasture and wood in Shenfeild, called Parnelles *alias* Peverells are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent, by fealty only in free socage and not in chief or by knight's service; the said tenement and land called Dyches and the 40 acres of land, &c., called Parnells are worth per ann., clear, £5.

John Hulson died 5 October, 43 Eliz. [1601], *Robert Hulson* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 5 years, 9 months and 14 days.

The said *Alice* late the wife of the said *John* still survives at Shenfeild.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol., 270. No. 117.

Henry Bressey, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 8 February, 44 Eliz. [1602], before *Edmund Ferrand*, gent., deputy escheator within the City of London, *William Necton*, gent., deputy feodary, and *Thomas Lake*, gent., commissioners, by virtue of a commission to enquire into the lunacy of *Henry Bressey*, gent., to them or to *John Garrard*, Mayor of the said City, *Walter Cope*, esq., feodary of the said City, *William Bowyer*, esq., and *Matthew Bacocon*, gent., directed, by the oath of *William Crowch*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Peter Noxon*, *Andrew Feilde*, *Edward Katcher*, *George Holman*, *Michael Crowch*, *Elias Parry*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Thomas Pulford*, *Nicholas Askewe*, *Richard Craford*, *George Gunbey*, *Henry Earslye*, *Hugh Charrat*, *John Jeninges* and *William Downing*, who say that

Henry Bressey is a lunatic and is not *compos mentis*, and does not enjoy lucid intervals, so that he is not fit to govern himself or his manors, lands, goods and chattels: he became a lunatic by the visitation of God 2 years ago and has remained so ever since.

Long before his lunacy he was and still is seised in his demesne as of fee-tail, *viz.*, to him and the heirs of his body, of the manor of Oddston in Oddston in the parish of Shaxton in co. Leicester, and of all the lands, chief rents and services in Shaxton; 1 water mill called le Cloke

mill in the parish of Sweepton in the said county; also of certain lands and tenements held by copy of court of the manor of Balsall according to the custom of the said manor, called a "plowghe lande" lying in Escott and Barston, late of *Richard Eglionbey*, gent., as by a certain inquisition taken at the Guildhall of the said City 15th January, 32 Eliz. [1589], by virtue of a commission to enquire as to the lunacy of the said *Henry Bressey*, by the name of *Henry Bracye*, gent., to the said *William Necton*, feodary, and others directed, it more fully appears.

Of whom or by what service the said manor of Oddston and the other lands and tenements are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £16 6s. 8d. The lands and tenements held of the manor of Balsall called a ploughe lande are worth per ann., clear, £13 6s. 8d.

Henry Bressey is the son and next heir of the said *Henry* named in the commission, and is now aged 2 years and 8 months.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 270, No. 120.

John Lighterfoote.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 4 December, 44 Eliz. [1601], before *John Garrard*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *John Lighterfoote*, by the oath of *Robert Durham*, *Peter Noxon*, *Andrew Feild*, *Edward Catcher*, *Michael Crowche*, *William Abbott*, *Richard Blinckhorne*, *Richard Crafford*, *George Gunby*, *Alexander Ashurst*, *Martin Lumley* and *William Downing*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *John Lighterfoote*, a certain *Rowland Atkinson*, yeoman, was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage or inn called the fflower de Luce, with all the gardens and other appurtenances in the parish of St. Andrew in Holborn within the suburbs of the City of London, now or late in the tenure of the said *John Lighterfoote*.

The said *Rowland Atkinson*, being so seised, had issue a son called *James Atkinson* and a daughter called *Grace*, and afterwards died so seised.

The said messuage after the death of the said *Rowland*, descended to the said *James* as son and heir of the said *Rowland*, who entered into the same and was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee, and had issue *William*, *Jane* and *Helen*.

So seised, the said *James Atkinson* afterwards, viz. the 24th day of January, 1558, made his will, and thereby bequeathed the said messuage called the fflower de Luce and all other his houses lying in the said

parish of St. Andrew to the said *William* his son and the heirs male of his body, and for default, the same to remain to his said daughters *Jane* and *Helen Atkinson* and the heirs of their bodies. Afterwards the said *James* died, and the said *William* his son and heir entered into the said premises and was thereof seised to him and his heirs male, and afterwards died thereof seised without any issue of his body begotten. The said *Helen* likewise died without issue of her body, and after her decease the said *Jane* the other daughter of the said *James* entered into all the said premises, and was thereof seised in her demesne as of fee tail, and so seised she afterwards married the said *John Lighterfoote* named in the said writ: which said *John* and *Jane* had issue one daughter called *Helen*, and afterwards the said *Jane* died and the said *John Lighterfoote*, held himself sole in 2 parts (in 3 parts to be divided) of the said messuage or inn, and was thereof seised for the term of his life according to the courtesy of the land of England. Afterwards the said *Helen*, daughter of the said *John Lighterfoote* and *Jane* his wife, died without issue, after whose death the reversion of the said 2 parts of the said premises, after the death of the said *John Lighterfoote*, descended to a certain *John Tyler* as kinsman and next heir of the said *Helen Lighterfoote*, viz., son and heir of *John Tyler* his father, son and heir of the said *Grace*, only sister of the said *James*, son and heir of the said *Rowland Atkinson*.

The said 2 parts of the said messuage are held of the Queen in free socage by fealty only and not in chief.

John Lighterfoote died 17 April, 40 Eliz. [1598].

The said *John Tyler*, son of the said *John Tyler*, was aged 21 years and more at the time of the death of the said *John Tyler* his father.

Richard Gomersall took the issues and profits of the said lands and tenements from the death of the said *John Lighterfoote* up to the taking of this inquisition.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 270, No. 127.

William Skidmore, Citizen and Ironmonger.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 7 October, 43 Eliz. [1601], before *William Rider*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *William Skidmore*, late citizen and ironmonger of London, by the oath of *William Crowch*, *Hugh Ingram*, *John Jeninges*, *Robert Durant*, *George Holman*, *Cuthbert Lee*, *Andrew Feild*, *Humphrey Hooper*, *Michael Crowche*, *Edward Catcher*, *Thomas Pulford*, *Richard Crayford*, *William Abbott*, *Alexander Asehurst*, *Hugh Sharratt*, *Martin Lumley*, *George Gunbye* and *William Downinge*, who say that

William Skidmore long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 4 messuages and 1 alley commonly called le George alley, and 10 messuages being in the said alley, and 1 garden thereto adjacent lying in the parish of St. Buttolph without Bisshopsgate, London, which he lately purchased of a certain *Christopher Campion*; 1 messuage and certain lands thereto belonging, containing 40 acres more or less, situate in the parish or hamlet of Burneham in co. Bucks, now or late in the tenure of *William Church*, maltman; 2 messuages and 1 close of pasture containing 1 acre, lying in the vill of Uxbridge in co. Middlesex, now in the several tenures of *Robert Skidmore* and *John Butt*; 2 acres of meadow in Denham in the said county of Buckingham, in a certain meadow there called Southmeade; the moiety of 1 messuage in Uxbridge; the moiety of 1 close of land called little Readinge; the moiety of 1 acre and a half of land in Greate Readinge lying in the parish of Hillingdon in co. Middlesex, $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres of free land lying in Southall in the parish of Norwood in co. Middlesex, late in the tenure of *John Bysouth*; the moiety of 1 messuage lately called a kitchen, with an orchard thereto adjacent in Chartsey in co. Surrey, late in the tenure of *William Wrichte*, formerly [blank] *Tuckers*; the moiety of 1 messuage with 1 orchard and garden lying at the back of the said messuage, now or late in the tenure of *Clement Leeche* and *Richard Browne*, lying in Okeingham in co. Berks.

So seised, the said *William Skidmore*, by deed dated 14 February, 39 Eliz. [1597], made between himself of the one part, and *Robert Chamberlane* and *Robert Cutt*, citizens and ironmongers of London, of the other part, in consideration of the natural benevolence, love and favor which he bore towards *Richard*, *John* and *William Skidmore* his sons, and for their better relief and maintenance, and to the intent that all the said premises above mentioned should remain in his "stocke and Consanguinitye," granted for him and his heirs that they would be seised of all the said premises to the use of him the said *William Skidmore* the father for the term of his natural life, and after his decease, then as to the said premises in Burneham to the use of the said *Richard Skidmore* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the said *John Skidmore* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the said *William Skidmore*, and the heirs male of his body; for default, then to the use of the right heirs of the said *William Skidmore* the father for ever. As to all the premises within the parish of St. Buttolph without Bisshopsgate to the use of *Philip* and *Thomas Skidmore* and their heirs during the natural life of the said *William Skidmore* the son, upon trust nevertheless that the said *Philip* and *Thomas* shall suffer the said *William* to take to his own proper use the rents and

profits of the said premises without any interruption; and after the death of the said *William Skidmore* the son, then to the use successively in tail male of his 1st to his 5th and every other son, one after another "Seynioritie"; for default, to the use of the said *John Skidmore* and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the said *Richard Skidmore* and the heirs male of his body; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *William Skidmore* the father for ever. As to all the premises in the several vills, hamlets or fields of Uxbridge, Denham, Hillingdon, Norwood, Southall, Chertseye and Wokingham, to the use of the said *John Skidmore* and the heirs male of his body, for default, to the use of the said *William Skidmore* the son and the heirs male of his body; for default, to the use of the said *Richard Skidmore* and the heirs male of his body; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *William Skidmore* the father for ever: on condition that if the said *William Skidmore* the father at any time during his life shall pay or offer to the said *Robert Chamberlane* and *Robert Cutt* 1 pair of gloves of the value of 6d., or 6d. in money with signification of his intent that the said indenture and all the covenants and uses therein contained shall cease and determine, that then and at all times after such pay and offer the said indenture and all things therein contained shall be void and of no effect; by virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *William Skidmore* the father was seised of all the said premises in his demesne as of free tenement for his life, with remainders as above. The said *William Skidmore* the father never paid or offered the said gloves or money.

The said *William Skidmore* long before his death was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 tenement lying in New Windsor in co. Berks, in the tenure of [blank] *Webb*; 1 messuage in Wendover in co. Bucks, late in the tenure of *Thomas Binninge*; 1 cottage or tenement called le ffordge in the parish of Denham in co. Bucks; the other moiety of the said messuage in Uxbridge; the other moiety of the said close of land called little Readeinge and of the said acre and a half of land in Greate Reading, lying in the said parish of Hillingdon in co. Middlesex; the other moiety of the said messuage called a kitchen with the orchard thereto adjacent in Churtsey in co. Surrey; and the moiety of the said messuage, garden and orchard lying at the back of the said messuage in Wokingham.

The said 4 messuages, the alley called le George alley the 10 messuages in the said alley and the said garden thereto adjacent lying in the said parish of St. Buttolph without Bisshopsgate are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and are worth per ann., clear, £3. The premises

in Burneham are held of divers persons, as follows: the said messuage, with certain lands, parcel of the said lands in Burneham of *Philip Skidmore*, esq., as of his manor of Undercombes in co. Bucks by fealty and the yearly rent of 7*s.*; and certain other lands there called Bolli-thorpe of *Henry Manfeild*, esq., as of his mannor called Burnehams manor in the said county of Bucks by fealty and the yearly rent of 2*s.* The residue of the lands in Burneham is held of the Queen as of her manor of Burneham Abbeye in the said county in free socage by fealty and the yearly rent of 10*s.* 3*d.*; all the said premises in Burneham are worth per ann., clear, £3 6*s.* 8*d.* The 2 messuages and 1 close of pasture in Uxbridge are held of the Earl of Derby as of his manor of Colham by fealty and the rent of 20*d.*, and are worth per ann., clear, 12*d.* The said 2 acres of meadow in Denham lying in the meadow called South-meade are held of the manor of Denham in co. Bucks, late of *George Peckham*, knight, by fealty, and are worth per ann., clear, 10*s.* The said messuage in Uxbridge, the close of land called little Readinge and the acre and a half of land in greate Readinge in the parish of Hillingdon are held of the borough of Uxbridge in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, 20*s.* The 3½ acres of land in Southall in the parish of Norwood are held of *Dudley Northe*, Lord Northe, as of his manor of Heesse in co. Middlesex by fealty only, and are worth per ann., clear, 5*s.* The messuage called a kitchen and the orchard thereto adjacent in Churtseye are held of *Francis Wolley*, esq., as of his manor of Hallplace in socage by fealty, and the yearly rent of 8*d.*, and are worth per ann., clear, 10*s.* The premises in Wokingham are held of the Queen as of her manor of Sunninge in co. Berks in free socage, by fealty and the yearly rent of 8*d.*, and are worth per ann., clear, 13*s.* 4*d.* The tenement in New Windsor in co. Berks is held of the borough of New Windsor, and is worth per ann., clear, 10*s.* The tenement in Wendover in co. Bucks is held of the borough of Wendover in burgage by fealty only, and is worth per ann., clear, 10*s.* The cottage called le ffordge in Denham is held of the manor of Denham in co. Bucks by fealty, and is worth per ann., clear, 6*s.* 8*d.*

William Skidmore the father died at London, 27 March last past; the said *Richard Skidmore* is his son and next heir and was then aged 40 years and upwards: he is still in full life at London.

William Billinge, citizen and waxchandler.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 October, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *John Harte*, knight, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of his Office, after the death of *William Billing*, citizen and waxchandler of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Harrison*, *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvy*, *John Bonde*, *John Jackson*, *William Feake*, *James Robinson*, *William Crowche*, *Edward Pillesworthe*, *John Thompson*, *George Robertes*, *Thomas Wiggess*, *Arthur Wrighte*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert Saunders*, *Christopher Dickenson* and *Nicholas Hawkesford*, who say that

William Billinge long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage in the parish of St. Lawrence in Old Jewry, London, and being so seised made his will on the last day of October, 1581, and thereby bequeathed the said messuage to *Joan* then his wife, to hold to her and her heirs for ever.

Afterwards, *viz.*, on the last day of May, 1582, the said *William Billinge* died so seised, and the said *Joan* was seised of the said tenement in her demesne as of fee, and afterwards married *Edward Winstanley* of London, gent., which said *Edward* and *Joan* after their marriage were seised of the said tenement, *viz.*, the said *Edward* in his demesne as of free tenement in right of the said *Joan* his wife, and the said *Joan* in her demesne as of fee in her own proper right.

So seised, they by deed dated 30 April, 32 Eliz. [1590] as well for a certain sum of money to them in hand paid by *William Gerrard* of Flamberdes in the parish of Harrowe-on-the-Hill in co. Middlesex, esq., and *Hugh Henley*, citizen and merchant tailor of London, as for other considerations. Them thereto moving, granted and sold the said premises to the said *William* and *Hugh* and their heirs for ever, as by the said deed acknowledged before *William Fleetewood*, recorder of London, and *Anthony Radcliffe*, alderman of the said City, and enrolled in the Hustings of pleas of land at the Guildhall it more fully appears.

The said premises are held of the Queen in chief by the rooth part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d.

But who is the next heir of the said *William Billinge* the jurors do not know.

Nicholas Clarkson, Citizen and Merchant-tailor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 5 July, 11 Eliz. [1569] before *Thomas Roe*, knight, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of his Office, after the death of *Nicholas Clarkson*, citizen and merchant-tailor of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Stephen Walden*, *John Wytton*, *Michael Smythe*, *Henry Callis*, *Robert Cripes*, *Thomas Hassillwood*, *Robert Langwith*, *Robert Dyconson*, *John Harrison*, *Adam Chatterton*, *Richard Adams*, *Thomas Keblewhite*, *Edward Bowen*, and *Thomas Pearson*, who say that

Nicholas Clarkson on the day that he died was solely seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage lying in the parish of St. Ellen in the street called Bisshoppsgate within the City of London, in the ward of Bishoppsgate now in the tenure of *Edward Skegges* which said messuage abutts upon the high way there on the east, the tenement now in the tenure of *Justinian Cokes* on the south, partly on the garden of *Thomas Gresham*, knight, and partly on the tenement called the Bull there on the west, and the tenement now in the occupation of *William Agar* on the north, and of the reversion of all the said premises, as by the charter made to the said *Nicholas* by *Joan Tailor*, dated 1 May, 4 Eliz. [1562], it more fully appears.

The said messuage is held of the Queen in chief, and is worth per ann., clear, 48s.

Nicholas Clarkson died 27 June, 9 Eliz. [1567], in the parish of St. Augustine in the ward of Bredstreate, London; *Richard Clarkson* is his son and next heir and was then aged 9 years and 11 weeks.

Mary wife of the said *Nicholas* took the rents and profits of the said messuage from the death of the said *Nicholas* up to the day of the taking of this inquisition.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol 274, No. 170.

John Richardson, Citizen and Ironmonger.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 26 March, 21 Eliz. [1579], before *Richard Pipe*, knight, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of his Office, after the death of *John Richardson*, citizen and ironmonger of London, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *John Harrison*, *John Keblewhite*, *George Gynne*, *Thomas Russell*, *William Porye*, *Anthony Barbor*, *Thomas Eliot*, *Griffin Jones*, *Henry Shawe*, *John Ireland*, *John Ricardes*, *William Curtes* and *Arthur Raynescrofte*, who say that

John Richardson on the day of his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage called Le Stewe with the cellars, sollars, buildings, yards, &c., &c., thereto belonging; 1 furnace of lead called a "Stewe leade," 1 cistern, and 1 gutter of lead from the Thames to the said house and 1 "Buckett" and chain thereto belonging, situate in the parish of St. Michael at Quenehith, London, extending from the east to the west 50 feet of assize, and from the tenement called Le Signe of the Cappe on the north to the Thames on the south 76 feet of assize.

So seised, the said *John Richardson* made his will and thereby bequeathed as follows:—

I give my house with the wharf and yard thereto belonging wherein I now dwell set in the parish of St. "Mighells" near Quenehith to *Johan* my wife for her natural life; and after her decease, to *John Richardson* my son and to the heirs of his body for ever; for default, the remainder thereof to *Margaret Richardson* my daughter and to the heirs of her body; for default, to my child unborn, be it male or female, and to the heirs of the body of the said child; and for default, the remainder thereof to my right heirs for ever, as by the said will dated 23 October, 1578, it more plainly appears. By virtue of which said will the said *Joan* immediately after the death of the said *John Richardson* entered into the said premises and took the profits thereof: which said *Joan* still survives.

The said messuage is held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors know not, and is worth per ann., clear, £4.

John Richardson died 25 October last past; *John Richardson* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 2 years, 1 month and 11 days.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 275, No. 369.

Henry Robynson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 September, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke* knight, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of his Office, after the death of *Henry Robynson*, late citizen and cook of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickonson*, *Richard Smithe*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *William Poye*, *Henry Webbe*, *George Robertes*, *John Oldam*, *William Feake*, *Robert Peacock*, *John Bonde*, *John Richardes* and *Nicholas Hawksforde*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Henry Robynson*, a certain *John Berden* citizen and "Pulter" of London, was seised in his demesne as

of fee of those 2 tenements commonly called The Cardinall Hatt, with all the houses, gardens, &c., thereto belonging, lying in the street called Gracious streate in the parish of All Saints Gracechurch, London, one of which said tenements was late in the tenure of the said *John Berden* and *Agnes* his wife, and the other was in the occupation of *Richard Bilbroke* and is now in the tenure of *Richard Tompson*, cook.

So seised the said *John* and *Agnes* by their deed dated 29 May, 18 Eliz. [1576], and acknowledged before *Rowland Haywarde*, knight, alderman of the City of London, and *William Fleetwoode*, esq., recorder of the said City, for a competent sum of money paid to the said *John Berden* by the said *Henry Robynson* and *Richard Tompson* and *Robert Grey*, citizens and cooks of London, gave the said premises to the said *Henry*, *Richard* and *Robert*, and to the heirs of the said *Henry* for ever, by virtue whereof they entered into the same and were thereof seised, viz. the said *Henry Robynson* in his demesne as of fee, and the said *Richard* and *Robert* in their demesne as of free tenement.

So seised, the said *Henry Robynson* made his will on the 2nd day of January, 1577, and thereby bequeathed as follows :—

I give to *Alice Tompson* for her natural life my tenement in Gracechurch street in the parish of All Saints in Lombardstreet called The Cardinall Hatt and the tenement next adjoining, with all shops, cellars, sollars, &c., thereto belonging; and after her decease, I give the same to *William Tompson*, son of the said *Richard Tompson*, and to his heirs for ever.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Henry Robynson died 21 February, 20 Eliz. [1578], but who is his next heir the jurors know not. The said *Richard Tompson* and *Robert Grey* still survive.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 276, No. 517.

Roger Robynson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 20 September, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blancke*, knight, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of his Office, after the death of *Roger Robynson*, citizen and goldsmith of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Richard Smithe*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Ireland*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *William Pouye*, *George Robertes*, *John Stoddarde*, *William Feake*, *John Bonde* and *Nicholas Hawkesforde*, who say that

Roger Robynson long before and on the day of his death was seised

in his demesne as of fee of all that capital house or mansion or inn, called by the name of the White Hart now in the tenure of *Matthew Park* . . . lying in the parish of St. Botolph without Bishshoppes gate, London, with all the stables, yards, rooms, &c., to the said mansion house belonging, also 1 garden to the said mansion adjoining: which said premises lie between the cemetery of the said parish Church of St. Botolph on the south, the gate or entry of the late house of the Blessed Mary of Bethlehem on the north, and extend from the high street towards the east up to the garden of Bethlehem and the ditch of la More towards the west; all which said premises the said *Roger Robynson* lately purchased to him and his heirs of *James Batte* of Burton in Lonsdale in co. York, husbandman, and *Jane* his wife.

So seized, the said *Roger Robynson* made his will on the 30th day of March, 1582, and thereby bequeathed the said mansion house and other the premises as follows:—

I give the one half of all my lands, leases and goods to my wife *Alice Robynson* for her natural life, trusting she will be a good and natural mother to her children and the other half I give to her and to my nephew *Mark Sutton* of Islington, gent, whom I make my exor., to the use of my children as shall be thought most convenient to these my 4 overseers, viz., *Robert Eccles* of London, leather [?] seller, *Nicholas Tompson*, gentleman, my nephew *William Robynson* the elder of Mun-chaster in Cumberland, and my brother-in-law *Thomas Eccles* son of the said *Robert Eccles*.

The said mansion house and garden are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Roger Robynson died at London, 31 March, 24 Eliz. [1582]: immediately after his death the said *Alice* late his wife entered into the said premises and took the issues thereof.

Pole (Polus) *Robynson* is the son and next heir of the said *Roger*, and was aged 9 years and more at the time of his father's death.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2. vol. 276, No. 515.

Robert Windsor.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 25 October, 2 Eliz. [1560] before me *William* . . . Mayor and escheator of the City of London, by virtue of my Office, after the death of *Robert Windsor*, smith, of London, by the oath of *Robert* . . . ¹ *Robert Lee*, *Robert Davye*, *Henry*

¹ Illegible.

Callis, Guy Awood, Michael Smith, William Swainson, Lawrence Jucson, Stephen Walden, Thomas Ebdon, Thomas Litton, Robert Dunkins, John Benson [?] . . . who say that

Robert Windsor long before his death was seised jointly with *Katherine* his wife in his demesne as of fee of all that small messuage with the cellar and sollar thereto belonging lying in Bisshopsgate street in the parish of St. Ellen in London, which said messuage the said *Robert* and *Katherine* lately had to them and their heirs for ever of the gift and grant of *Michael Stanhopp*, knight, and *John Beomount*, esq., as by the charter thereof to them made dated 28 October, 2 Edw. VI. [1548], it more fully appears.

So seised, the said *Robert Windsor* died 21 May, 2 Eliz. [1560] and the said *Katherine* survived him, and entered into the said messuage and was and still is thereof seised in her demesne as of fee by right of accruing.

The said messuage is held of the Queen in chief, *viz.*, by the service of the — part of 1 knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, 40s.

The jurors do not know who is the next heir of the said *Robert Windsor*, but they say that *Isabella Burlington* is the sole daughter and heir of *Robert Burlington*, deceased, brother and next heir of the said *Katherine*, and is aged 30 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 274, No. 31.

This completes the general series of Inquisitions to end of the reign of Elizabeth.

ADDENDA TO THE PERIOD HENRY VII.—
ELIZABETH.

Some of the following Inquisitions were not in their proper place when the general series was being done, but have since been found.

Elizabeth, wife of John Philpot, Knight.

2 February, 19 Hen. VII [1504].

Assignment of dower of *Elizabeth* who was the wife of *John Philpot*, knight, now deceased, who held of us in chief, of all the messuages, tenements and gardens which were of the said *John* formerly her husband within the City of London, and which by the death of the said *John* were taken into the King's hands by the Mayor and escheator of the said City: which said Mayor and escheator assigned to the said *Elizabeth* the 3rd part of 12 messuages, 20 tenements and 6 gardens within the said City: to hold to her yearly in allowance of all her dower happening to her out of all the said premises.

Chan. Inq. p. m, ser. 2, vol. 17, No. 103.

Thomas Cardinal of York.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall on Monday, *viz.*, the 3rd day of July, 23 Hen. VIII [1531] before *Thomas Pargettour*, knight, Mayor of the City of London, *John Aleyn*, knight, and *John Baker*, by virtue of a commission to them and to *William Walsyngham* directed, to enquire of what manors, lordships, lands, possessions, rents, &c., &c., the most reverend Father *Thomas* late Legate of the Apostolic See, Cardinal of York and Archbishop and Primate of England was seised solely or with others on the 28th August, 15 Hen. VIII, or on the 2nd day of December in the same year, or at any time after the said 2nd day of December, in his demesne as of fee or in reversion, within the said City of London; on which said 2nd December the said Cardinal perpetrated divers contempts, trespasses and offences against the King, his crown and dignity contrary to the form of the Statute published in the parliament of King Richard the II. late King of England, held at Westminster in the 16th year of his reign, whereof the said Cardinal was rightly and justly convicted and condemned in the court of the lord the King, before the said King, by the oath of *Henry Barnes*, *George Medley*, *Philip Yorke*, *John Gose*, *Roger Yong*, *John Shyrwyn*, *John Webbe*, *James Tornour*,

Robert Warde, John Baxster, Walter Astlyn and John Long who say that

The said Cardinal after the said 2nd day of December in the said 15th year, *viz.*, on the 10th day of February, 17 Hen. VIII [1526], was seised in his demesne as of fee of 6 cottages lying together in a certain lane called Buntynge Aley *alias* Markes Aley in Woodstreet in the parish of St. Alphage in the ward of Creplegate, London; 1 messuage, 6 cottages and 6 gardens lying together in the lane called Bylleter Lane in the parish of St. Katherine Colman in the ward of Aldgate, London; and 5 messuages and 3 gardens, lying together in the parish of St. Gabriel Fanchurch Street, in the ward of Langborne in the said city: and so seised, enfeoffed thereof on the said 10th day of February the Dean and canons of the college of Thomas Wolsey Cardinal of York in the University of Oxford: to hold to them and their successors for ever; by virtue whereof the said Dean and canons were thereof and still are thereof seised in their demesne as of fee, and took the issues and profits thereof.

On the said 10th day of February the said Cardinal was seised in his demesne as of fee of 16s. of yearly rent issuing out of a certain messuage in the parish of St. Mary Colechurch in the ward of Westchepe in the said City of London; also of 5s. rent issuing out of a certain large garden in the parish of St. Gabriel Fanchurch street in the ward of Langborne; and so seised, by charter dated on the said 10th day of February granted the said rents to the said Dean and canons of the said College of Thomas Wolsey in Oxford: to hold to them and their successors for ever: by virtue whereof they were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee; and so seised, at the special request of the said Cardinal granted those rents to the Dean or master and cardinal of the College of St. Mary in Ipswich in co. Suffolk: to hold to them and their successors for ever: by virtue whereof they were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee and have taken the said rents up to this time.

All the said premises are worth per ann., clear, £32 3s. 0d.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 77, K. 2.

Thomas Kneseworth.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 10 July, 6 Hen. VIII [1514], before *John Tate*, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Kneseworth*, by the oath of *John Bristall, Robert Berdesley, Henry*

Northriche, Hugh Birde, William Molle, John Herdman, William Burton, John Hatton, Robert Ive, Edward Lighton, John Wellys and Robert Garlond who say that

Thomas Kneseworth was solely seised in his demesne as of fee in his own proper right of 1 messuage with a shop now in the tenure of *John Merston*, citizen and fishmonger of London; 1 other messuage in the which *John Sampson*, citizen and fishmonger of London, now dwells; and 1 tenement now in the tenure of *William Yonger*, citizen and fishmonger of London, lying together in the parish of St. Margaret in Briggestrete, in the ward of Briggestrete, London, viz., between the highway of Briggestrete, on the east, the lane called Croked Lane on the north, and the land late of *Gregory Lovell*, knight, now of *John A. Park*, mercer of London, on the west and south; 1 shop with sollars built thereupon on the west part of Briggestrete, now in the tenure of *William Broune*, in the parish of St. Magnus the Martyr in the said ward of Briggestrete, between the highway of Briggestrete on the east, the tavern called le Bell on the west, a shop belonging to the society of the mystery of the fishmongers of London on the north, and a shop belonging to *Robert Turbervile*, esq., now in the tenure of *John Ideall* on the south; 1 messuage called a "Kay" together with a wharf thereto annexed, formerly called Hatters Kaye and now called Kneseworth Kaye; 1 other messuage with a quay adjacent called le Crowne Kay now in the tenure of *Richard Norres*, with certain tenements lying between them, situate together in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East in the ward of the Tower of London, viz., between the highway there on the north, the water of the Thames on the south, the common lane adjoining the house called le Custume house on the east, and the tenements or lands which formerly were of *John Shaa*, knight, and now are in the possession of *Edmund Denny, John Grene*, gentleman, *Christopher Grantham* and *Ralph Thomson*, feoffees thereof seised in fee to fulfil the will of the said *Thomas Kneseworth*, on the west; 3 messuages being in the said parish of St. Dunstan opposite the said quay called Hatters Kay in the said ward of the Tower of London, viz., between the highway there on the south and east and the tenement belonging to the Church of St. Dunstan wherein *William Gonson* now dwells on the west, and a large messuage late of *Robert Byfeld*, now of *William Compton*, knight, on the north.

So seised, the said *Thomas Kneseworth*, by the name of *Thomas Kneseworth*, citizen, fishmonger and alderman of the City of London and freeman of the said City, by his will dated 13 April, 1513, gave all the said premises to the then warden of the art or mystery of the fishmongers of London and the commonalty thereof and their successors,

to the intent that they and their successors for ever shall observe and perform the said will in all the articles thereof in the manner and form hereafter declared, *viz.*, that the said warden and his successors with part of the rents and profits yearly forthcoming from the said premises shall henceforth for ever well and sufficiently repair and maintain the said messuages, &c., from time to time as often as it shall be necessary, and whenever the premises or any of them shall happen to be rebuilt, they shall rebuild them in such manner and form and extend them at such yearly value as the rents and profits yearly therefrom forthcoming shall extend to such sums of money as the same sums of money yearly shall attain for the payment of the legacies and ordinances of the said *Thomas* below declared, *viz.*, the said warden and his successors shall from thenceforth for ever observe 2 solemn obits or anniversaries to be celebrated with note in the Chapel of the Blessed Mary at the Guildhall, London, where at present the body of the said *Thomas* lies buried, by the priests, clerks and boys of the said chapel, with dirge and mass, for the souls of the said *Thomas* and *Elizabeth* late his wife and their parents and benefactors, and for the souls of all the faithful deceased, the first obit to be celebrated on the third Sunday next after the day of Easter and the mass on the morrow, that is, on the Monday then next following, and the second to be celebrated on the second Sunday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel and the mass on the morrow. At each of the said 2 obits the said wardens shall find 2 wax-candles each weighing 8 lb. of wax burning about the tomb of the said *Thomas*, and they shall yearly for ever pay to each priest and clerk belonging to the said chapel and there dwelling and being present at each of the said obits 4*d.*, and to each boy serving at the said chapel 2*d.*; and to the Mayor of the City of London coming there and making his oblation at the said mass 40*d.* and not otherwise, and to each of the 2 sheriffs of London under the same form 12*d.* and to the chamberlain of the said City 20*d.* and to the swordbearer 12*d.* and to 6 wardens of the said fishmongers 10*s.* between them, and to the clerks or beadles of the said fishmongers 4*d.* and the whole society of the fishmongers then being present shall have between them at each of the said obits every year out of the profits of the premises 20*s.* The said wardens and their successors shall then provide and ordain 4 honest chaplains, students in art or theology in the Universities of Oxford or Cambridge, who shall be poorly beneficed or who shall not have a sufficient exhibition to carry on their studies there, to celebrate and pray for ever there principally for the souls of the said *Thomas* and his said wife, their parents and benefactors and of all the faithful deceased; and the said wardens shall pay yearly to each of the said chaplains £4 sterling. And when it shall happen that any of the

said chaplains die, or leave the said Universities or shall be promoted to a benefice or to a better or larger cell, then the said wardens and their successors shall within the space of 3 months provide other honest chaplains to celebrate as above; but if they should neglect so to do, then for each default they shall pay to the chamberlain of London 40s. in the name of penalty, whereof he shall keep 6s. 8d. for his own proper use, and shall give 3s. 4d. to the use of the under chamberlain of London, and shall distribute 10s. among the poor prisoners or fishmongers detained in the prisons of Ludgate and Newgate, and the 20s. the residue of the said 40s. shall be paid to the Chamber of the said City for the common use of the Mayor and citizens of the City of London. And the said *Thomas Kneseworth* further declared that the said wardens within 8 weeks after his death shall provide 13 persons, who shall be poor and honest men and women of good name and fame, being in poverty and misery, to pray for the souls above said, and shall pay to each of them 8d. each week, and 4 measures called "Goodes of Walsh Cloth" of any colour or of any other cloth which shall please the said wardens, not exceeding the price of 8d. for "le goode," and the said 4 poor people shall pray in the said chapel for the souls aforesaid. And the said *Thomas* willed that as far as possible the said wardens should choose the said 13 poor people out of the company of fishmongers. And the names of the said chaplains and poor people to be entered by the clerk of the fishmongers company in their books kept in their hall for that purpose and then the said chaplains and poor people to be presented at the Guildhall to the said chamberlain who shall then enter their names in his books, each poor person paying to the clerk 4d. and to the under-chamberlain 4d. and each chaplain paying to the said clerk 6d. and to the said under-chamberlain 6d.

The said *Thomas* also willed the said wardens to pay yearly to the prior and convent of Royston in co. Herts out of the issues of the said premises £4 sterling, to the intent that they shall find a fit canon of the same place to celebrate mass in the Church there at such altar as the said prior shall think most expedient, for the said souls, every day yearly from Easter Day up to the day of St. Michael before the hour of 6 in the morning; and that a clerk or minister there shall begin to ring the bell for that mass at 5 o'clock; and from the day of St. Michael until Easter he shall begin to ring the bell at 6 o'clock in the morning or before, and the said mass shall be finished before 7 o'clock in the morning. And the priest celebrating that mass every day shall take to his proper use each year for ever . . . parcel of the said £4, and the clerk ringing the bell for the said mass and ministering each day to the chaplain celebrating that mass, shall have each year for his stipend 6s. 8d. And the

said prior and convent shall celebrate twice each year for ever, *viz.*, on the day of St. Mary Magdalene with solemn ringing of bells for the souls aforesaid, dirge and mass, and there shall be distributed to them therefore 6s. 8d., and another service shall be held on the 10th day of January for 6s. 8d., the residue of the said £4. The said *Thomas Kneseworth* further declared that 40s. should be yearly for ever distributed amongst the prisoners at Newgate and Ludgate. The said will was proved before *William Broun*, Mayor, and the aldermen of the City of London at the Guildhall and enrolled in the Court of Hustings on Monday next after the feast of St. John ante Portam Latinam, 6 Hen. VIII., [1514].

All the said premises are held of the King in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £82 15s. 8d.

Thomas Kneseworth died 26 June last past; *John Kneseworth* is his kinsman and next heir, *viz.*, son of *George Kneseworth* late citizen and clothworker of London, brother of the said *Thomas*, and is aged 30 years and more.

After the death of the said *Thomas*, *William Barde*, *Ralph Symondes*, *Thomas Ledale*, *John Boyse*, *Bartholomew Darby* and *Gregory Stott*, then wardens of the said art or mystery, by virtue of the said legacy and last will were and still are seised of all the said premises in their demesne as of fee.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 29, No. 4.

Robert Bacon.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 17 March, 30 Hen. VIII [1539], before *William Forman*, knight, Mayor and escheator of the City of London, by the oath of *Richard Close*, *Richard Madox*, *Patrick Cornyssh*, *Hugh Churche*, *Robert Wannesworth*, *Stephen . . .*,, *Nicholas Assheton*, *John Jakes*, *Thomas Hancock*, *Henry Nortryche*, *John Broun*, . . ., *Robert Reason* (?) and *William Bottesham*, who say that

Robert Bacon was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage commonly called the Puter Pott, and 2 tenements thereto belonging, situate in the parish of St. Mildred within the said City; and so seised, by charter dated 12 April, 20 Hen. VIII [1529], enfeoffed thereof *John Waylond* and *John Maior*: to hold to them and their heirs for ever to the intent to fulfil this last will. They being so seised, the said *Robert Bacon* by his will dated 14 April, 1535, declared that the said *John Waylond* and *John Maior* should be seised of the said premises after the death of him, the said *Robert Bacon* to the use of *Christopher Thybborn*,

and after his decease to the use of *Alexander Thybborn*, son and heir of the said *Christopher*, and his heirs for ever, and that the said *Christopher* should pay to *John Bacon*, son of the said *Robert*, 20s. sterling yearly during his life out of the profits of the said premises; and that after the death of the said *Christopher* the said *Alexander* should pay to the said *John Bacon* the said 20s. And both the said *Christopher* and *Alexander* shall keep an obit for the said *Robert* yearly in the Church of St. Dunstan in the West, London, the said *Christopher* during his life and the said *Alexander* and his heirs for ever.

The said premises are held of the King in free burgage by the service of 1d. per ann., and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d.

Robert Bacon died 12 March, 27 Hen. VIII [1536].

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 60, No. 146.

Abbot of Kirkstede, co. Lincoln.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 28 July, 29 Hen. VIII [1537], before *Ralph Waren*, knight, Mayor and escheator, by virtue of his Office, by the oath of *Robert Warter*, *Richard Madox*, *Patrick Cornysse*, *Stephen Rolland*, *Robert Johnson*, *John Vernon*, *Richard Forde*, *John Ramsey*, *William Bulle*, *William Mosseman*, *William Heylyard*, *John Nicolson* and *John Goodlake*, jurors charged to enquire for the lord the King, and having had verbal communication amongst themselves concerning the premises and being unable to agree upon a verdict pray for a respite and further day to consider their verdict, whereupon a day is given to them before the said escheator at the Guildhall up to Saturday the 4th day of August then next following, upon which day they came to the said Guildhall and said

That *Richard Haryson* late Abbot of the monastery of *Kyrkestede* in co. Lincoln and the convent of the same place long before the taking of this inquisition were seised in their demesne as of fee as in right of their said late monastery of the lands, tenements, rents, &c., &c., underwritten, *viz.*, 1 brew-house called le Belle and 1 garden with divers implements and utensils to the said messuage belonging, specified in a schedule sewn to this inquisition, situate in the parish of St. Botolph without Aldrichegate in the suburbs of and in the ward of Aldrichegate, late let to farm by the said abbot and convent to *Richard Lambe* by indenture dated 23 May, 25 Hen. VIII [1533], for the term of 30 years then next following, paying therefore yearly to the said Abbot and his successors 100s.; 1 other messuage or inn with a garden called Carne-

belles place in the said parish of St. Botolph, late in the tenure of *Thomas Tomwورthe*, gentleman; 1 tenement with a garden adjoining lying in the same parish between the said brewhouse and garden called le Bell of the one part and the said messuage and garden late in the tenure of the said *Thomas Thomwورthe* of the other part; 10 messuages and 10 gardens in the said parish called le Retten Rowe late let to farm by the said abbot and convent to *William Goodwyn*, mercer, by indenture dated 22 June, 20 Hen. VIII [1528], for the term of 60 years from the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist then next coming, paying therefore yearly 26*s.* 8*d.*; 1 messuage and 1 garden with an alley and 7 tenements in the said alley, formerly in the tenure of John Strode and late in that of *John Estall*, situate in the said parish, likewise let to farm to the said William Goodwyn by indenture dated 11 February, 21 Hen. VIII [1530], for the term of 60 years from the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary the Virgin then next following, paying therefore yearly to the said abbot and convent 40*s.*; 1 messuage in the said parish called le hight howse, lately let to farm to *Margaret Gustard*, then a widow, by indenture dated 3 March, 17 Hen. VIII [1526], for the term of the life of the said *Margaret*, paying therefore yearly 1*d.* at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel: which said *Margaret* still survives in London and is the wife of *Edward Smythe*.

The said Abbot and convent were likewise seised of another alley and 13 small tenements thereto belonging in the said parish, not let to farm: which said alley and tenements with the reversion of the said messuage called le hight howse after the death of the said *Margaret Gusterd* the said Abbot and convent by deed dated 23 January, 25 Hen. VIII [1534], demised to *Thomas Harslop*, girdler, of Pynner to hold from the feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary the Virgin up to the end of 30 years then next following, paying therefore yearly during the life of the said Margaret 60*s.*, and after her death 5 marks.

The said Abbot and Convent were likewise seised of a certain yearly rent of 5*s.* issuing out of a stall which *John Gubbun* formerly held of *Gilbert Goldsmith* of London and *Licoricia*, his wife, in the parish of St. Nicholas at the Shambles of London, and of a yearly rent of 10*s.* issuing out of 2 stalls which *Reginald Longeambe* formerly held of the said *Gilbert* and *Licoricia* in the same parish, and of 10*s.* yearly rent issuing out of 2 stalls which *John Crache* formerly held of the said *Gilbert* and *Licoricia* in the said parish.

The said Abbot and convent being so seised, afterwards, *viz.*, on the 6th day of March, 28 Hen. VIII [1537], before — knight, *Lord Boroughe*, knight, — *Lord Clynton*, *Walter Luke*, knight, *William Par*, knight, and others, at the castle of Lincoln was attainted of high treason for treasons

perpetrated by him on the 2nd day of October, in the same year and on the 4th of October in the same year and on other days before and after, by pretext whereof the said Abbot forfeited all the said premises to the King and they are all now in the King's hands as forfeits.

All the said premises are held of the King in free burgage, and are worth per ann., clear, £14 8s. 5d.

The jurors say that yearly for ever there are issuing out of the said premises the yearly or quit rents underwritten, and that the premises are charged with them yearly for ever, *viz.*, out of the said messuage and garden called le Bell 11s. of yearly and quit rent to the prior of the priory of St. John of Jerusalem in England, to be paid at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel only and out of the said tenements and gardens called le Rotten Rowe 4s. to be paid to the rector and wardens of the goods and ornaments of the Church of St. Botolph without Aldrichigate as by the charter of *Ralph Radisperan* citizen of London dated 1 March, 35 Edw. I. [1307], thereof made to God and the Blessed Mary and to all the saints and fabric of the said Church of St. Botolph it more fully appears; and out of the said messuage and garden called le Bell 3s. 4d. to be paid to the Master of the Hospital of St. Giles in the Fields near Charing Cross in co. Middlesex.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 82, No. 73.

Humphrey Abbott, Idiot.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall on the 24th day of October, 14 Eliz. [1572] before *William Allen*, knight, Mayor and escheator, to enquire as to the idiotcy of *Humphrey Abbott*, by the oath of *John Haddon*, *Henry Sutton*, *John Wytton*, *John Noble* [?], *Robert Dyckenson*, *John Harrison*, *Adam Chaterton*, *Richard Adams*, *Edward Bowen*, *John Keblewhite*, *Thomas Pearson*, *John Jennings*, *Robert Cryppes*, *Arthur Rainscrofte*, *Thomas Russell*, *Richard Smithe*, *Thomas Hackett*, *Henry Kynge*, *John Crouche*, *Anthony Barber*, and *Henry Rowsley* [?] who say that

Humphrey Abbott has always been an idiot since his birth, so that he was not capable of governing himself or his lands, and is still an idiot, and does not enjoy lucid intervals. While in this state he has not alienated any lands or tenements.

George Baron, citizen and alderman of London, and *George Bacon*, gent., were seised in their demesne as of fee of 1 messuage late or formerly in the tenure of *William Abbott* and now in that of *Elizabeth Abbott*, widow, lying in the parish of St. Olave in Old Jewry in the City

of London, formerly belonging to the last monastery of St. Bartholomew in West Smithfield, London, now dissolved, with all the houses, buildings, shops, &c., &c., thereto belonging; also of the reversion of the said messuage and other the premises; and of the rents and yearly profits reserved upon any demises or grants in any way made or reserved.

And the said *George Baron* and *George Bacon* so being thereof seised for a certain sum of money to them paid by *William Abbott*, citizen and latten founder of London, by their deed dated 19 June, 36 Hen. VIII [1544], granted all the said premises to the said *William Abbott* and *Alice* his wife, and to the said *Humphrey* son of the said *William Abbot*: to hold to the said *William*, *Alice* and *Humphrey* during their lives and the life of the longer liver of them, the remainder thereof to *William Say* of Ikenham in co. Middlesex, gent., and his heirs for ever, by pretext they were thereof seised in their demesne as of free tenement, with remainder as above.

The said *William* and *Alice* being so seised died long before the taking of this inquisition, after whose deaths the said *Humphrey* was and still is solely seised of the said messuage and other the premises in his demesne as of free tenement, by right of accruing, the remainder thereof after his death being to the said *William Say* and his heirs.

The said premises are held of the Queen by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 30s.

The jurors do not know who is the next heir of the said *Humphrey*.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 162, No. 181.

Thomas Leigh, Knight.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall before *William Allen*, knight, Mayor and escheator, 24 October, 14 Eliz. [1572] after the death of *Thomas Leigh*, knight, late Alderman of the City of London by the oath of . . . *Henry Sutton*, *John Wytton*, *John Noble*, *Robert Dickenson*, *John Haryson*, *Adam Chaterton*, *Richard Adams*, *Edward Bowen*, *John Heblewhite*, *Thomas Peirson*, *John Jennins*, *Robert Crippes*, *Anthony Raynscrofte*, *Thomas Russell*, *Richard Smythe*, *Thomas . . .*, *Anthony Barber* and *Henry Rowsley*, who say that

Thomas Leigh, knight, long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 capital messuage late in his own tenure, situate in Old Jewry in the ward of Colmanstrete, London; 2 other messuages there, now or late in the tenure of *Roland Leigh*, esq.; 2 other messuages there, now or late in the tenure of *Mark Grymme*; 2 other messuages there,

now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Nicols*; a certain other capital messuage now in the tenure of *Thomas Connye*, citizen and mercer of the said City, lying in the parishes of St. Olave in Old Jewry and St. Stephen in Colmanstrete in the said ward of Colmanstrete; 1 other messuage next adjoining the said capital messuage in the tenure of the said *Thomas Connye*, now or late in the occupation of *Nicholas Weiberd*, situate in the said parish of St. Olave; 1 messuage, 20 acres of land, 8 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture and 12 acres of wood in Kilborne in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of *Richard Lee*, yeoman; 1 messuage, . . . acres of meadow and 10 acres of pasture in Holloway in the parish of Islington in co. Middlesex, now or late in the tenure of *John Kitchen*, gent; 1 capital messuage in Stoneley [co. Warwick] late in the occupation of the said *Thomas Leigh*, knight, called Stoneley Hall *alias* Stoneley Abbey; 1 messuage in Stoneley called le Holme graunge, in the tenure of *Thomas Harbert* 1 water and grain mill lying near the said messuage called Stoneley Hall, late in the tenure of the said *Thomas Leigh*, knight, 1 fulling mill in Stoneley, now or late in the occupation of *Richard Worsley*, near the said messuage called Stoneley Hall; 1 other fulling and water mill there in the tenure of *James Howe*, near Stoneley Hall; 1 other water and fulling mill there, in the occupation of *Alexander Howe* and *Edward Aston*, lying near the said messuage called Holme graunge; 500 acres of land, 80 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture and 300 acres of wood in Stoneley, lately purchased by the said *Thomas Leigh* and *Rowland Hill*, knight, of *William Candyshe*, esq., 12 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture and 6 acres of wood in Stoneley lately purchased by the said *Thomas Leigh* of *Richard Bartie*, esq., and the Lady *Katherine* Duchess of *Suffolk* his wife; the manor of Stareton in the said county of Warwick, 2 [?] messuages, 200 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 40 acres of pasture, 3 acres of wood, 6 acres of moor, 6 acres of furze and heath in Stareton in the parish of Stoneley in the said county, purchased by the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* of *Samuel Marowe*, esq.; the advowson of the parish church of *Ashoe* in the said county; 3 messuages, 3 cottages and 6 acres of pasture lately purchased by the said Sir *Thomas* of *Thomas Parker* late rector of the parish Church of *Ashoe*; the manor of *Newnham alias* *Newnham Regis* in the said county; and 11 messuages, 3 cottages, 200 acres of land, 100 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 5 acres of wood, 20 acres of moor, and 200 acres of furze and heath; the rectory of the parish Church of *Newnham alias* *Newnham Regis*; the tithes of grains and hay forthcoming in *Newnham*; the advowson of the vicarage of the parish Church of *Newnham*; the manor of *Churche Lauford* in the said county of Warwick; 10 messuages, 500 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 100 acres of pasture, 2 acres of wood, 20 acres of moor and 200

acres of furze and heath in Church Lauford; and the advowson of the parish Church of Church Lauford.

The said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and Dame *Alice* his wife were seised to them and the heirs of the said *Thomas* of 2 messuages, 6 cottages, 30 [?] acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, 2 acres of wood and 40 acres of furze and heath in Wolston in the said county of Warwick; and the said Sir *Thomas* was seised in his demesne as of fee of 5 messuages, 2 cottages, 100 acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, 2 acres of wood and 10 acres of furze and heath in Newton in the said county of Warwick; the manor of Church Over *alias* Church Waner in the said county, and the advowson of the parish Church of Church Over; the manor of Swinforde in Co. Leicester; the rectory of Swinforde in the said county; the advowson of the vicarage of the parish Church of Swynford; the lordships and manors of Longeborowe, Bledington, Cattelstropp, *alias* Addelstropp and Malgesbery in co. Glouc.; 200 messuages, 3,000 acres of land, 1,000 acres of meadow, 2,000 [?] acres of pasture, 60 acres of wood, 100 acres of moor and 100 acres of furze and heath in Longeborowe, Bledington, Cattelstropp and Malgesbery *alias* Mawgesbury.

So seised, the said Sir *Thomas* on the 14th day of February, 10 Eliz. [1568] in the said parish of St. Olave, London, delivered as his act to *Thomas Leigh* his 3rd son a certain deed of grant in these words: To all men to whom this present writing shall come, greeting. Know ye that I hereby grant that if *Thomas Leigh* my 3rd son shall be within the age of 21 at the time of my death he shall have a yearly rent of £20 issuing out of all my manors and lands in cos. Warwick and Leicester and the City of London: to hold until his full age of 21, if Dame *Alice* now my wife so long live sole and unmarried and shall not take any dower of any of my lands. I also give to my said son *Thomas* a yearly rent of £30 going out of all my said manors and lands: to hold from his said age of 21 for so long as the said *Alice* my wife shall live sole and unmarried, with power of distress; provided always that if the said Dame *Alice* marry again or take her dower out of any of my said lands, or if the said *Alice* or *Thomas* die, then the said yearly rents to cease and be of no effect.

On the same day and year the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* delivered as his deed to *William Leigh* his 4th son another deed of grant in these words: If *William Leigh* my 4th son be within the age of 21 at my death, then he shall have a yearly rent of £20 going out of all my manors and lands in the said counties of Warwick and Leicester and the City of London: to hold until his full age of 21 on like conditions [as above]; also a yearly rent of £30 after his said age of 21 [as above].

On the said day and year the said Sir *Thomas* delivered a like deed of grant to *Isabella Leigh* one of his daughters, as follows: I hereby give to *Isabella* my youngest daughter a yearly rent of £10 issuing out of my said manors and lands: to hold from my decease during such time as the said Dame *Alice* shall live sole and unmarried and shall not take any dower out of my lands, &c., with like conditions.

And the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* being so seised a certain indenture was made 20 March, 11 Eliz., in the said parish of St. Olave between the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* of the one part and *William Cordell*, knight, Master of the Rolls of the Court of Chancery, *James Dyer*, knight, Chief Justice of the Queen's Bench, *John Southcote*, one of the Justices of the Pleas, *Thomas Bromeley*, esq., then solicitor general, and *Edward Baber* of Lincoln's Inn in co. Middlesex, esq., as follows: This indenture made between the parties aforesaid witnesses that in consideration of the marriage had and solemnized between the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and *Alice* now his wife for the assurance of certain manors, lands, tenements and hereditaments to the said Dame *Alice* for the payment of certain rents granted by the said Sir *Thomas* to *Richard*, *Thomas* and *William*, his younger sons and to *Isabella* his daughter, and not for the jointure of the said Dame *Alice* nor in recompence of her dower, and also for the better advancement and maintenance of the said *Richard*, *Thomas* and *William*, and also for the continuance of all the lands, &c., of the said Sir *Thomas* to his children and kindred in his name and blood for ever it is hereby agreed between the said parties that the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* before the feast of St. Michael next coming shall convey to the said Sir *William Cordell* and others above named a good and sure estate in fee simple of the lordships, manors, lands, &c. following, viz., of his messuage, tenement and farm in Kilborne in co. Middlesex, which *Richard Lee* now holds, and all the freehold lands, tenements, meadows, &c., &c., to the same belonging, and all the lands, tenements and hereditaments of the said Sir *Thomas* in Kilborne; his messuage and lands in Holloway in the parish of Islington in co. Middlesex which *John Kitchen*, gent., now holds; all the site of the late monastery of Stoneley in co. Warwick and all the demesne lands, meadows, &c., thereto belonging; the house and other buildings of the said Sir *Thomas* lately built in the place of the said site, with the gate house there, and the enclosed ground about the said house, and all other the lands, meadows, &c., of the said Sir *Thomas* in Stoneley and elsewhere in co. Warwick, which he lately purchased of *William Candishe*, esq., the 3 fulling mills in Stoneley which the said Sir *Thomas* lately purchased of *Richard Bartie*, esq., and the lady *Katherine* his wife Duchess of *Suffolk*; the manor of Stareton, in the parish of

Stoneley, and all the messuages, lands, woods, fishings, &c., &c., in Stareton lately purchased of *Samuel Marowe*, esq.; the advowson and patronage of the Church of Ashoe in co. Warwick, and all the lands, &c., in Stareton and Ashoe lately purchased of — *Parker* late parson of Ashoe; the manor of Newnham *alias* Kings Newnham in co. Warwick and all the tithes thereof, and all the lands, &c., in Newnham; the manor of Church Lauford in co. Warwick; the advowson and patronage of the parish Church of Church Lauford, and all other the lands, &c., in Church Lauforde, the farm and farmhouse of Wolston in co. Warwick and all the lands, &c., thereto belonging; all the messuages, lands, &c., in Newton in co. Warwick; the manor of Church Waner *alias* Church Over in co. Warwick; the advowson and patronage of the parish Church of Church Waner; the manor of Swinforde in co. Leicester; the advowson of the parish Church of Swinford and all other the lands, &c., in Swinford, the great messuage and house lying in or near the Old Jury in the parishes of St. Olyve and St. Stephens in Colemanstrete in the City of London, wherein *Thomas Conye*, son-in-law of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* now dwells; the tenement and house adjoining the said great messuage; the chief messuage and mansion house wherein the said Sir *Thomas* now dwells situate in or near the Old Jury, the six tenements lying near to or adjoining the said chief messuage lying in Old Jury; the lordships and manors of Longeborowe, Bledington, Catelstropp *alias* Addlestropp and Malgesberie *alias* Mawgesberie in co. Glouc., and all other the messuages, mills, lands, &c. in co. Glouc. to the use of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* for his life without impeachment of waste; and immediately after his death the said Sir *William Cordell* and others shall stand seised of all the said premises to the uses hereafter expressed, *viz.*, of the lordships and manors of Stareton, Newnham, Church Lauford and Church Waner in co. Warwick, and of all the said messuages, lands, tithes, advowsons, &c., in Stoneley, Stareton, Ashoe, Newnham, Church Lauford, Wolston, Newton and Church Waner or elsewhere in co. Warwick, the messuages, farms, &c., in Kilborne the premises in London and the manor of Swinforde and other the premises there—to the use of the said Dame *Alice* for the term of her life, if she so long live sole and unmarried, towards the payment of certain rents granted by the said Sir *Thomas* to the said *Richard*, *Thomas* and *William* his younger sons and to *Isabella* his daughter, provided always that if the said Dame *Alice* at any time after the death of the said Sir *Thomas* take or recover her dower of any of his lands that then the said use so limited to her shall cease and be void; and immediately after the death or marriage of the said Dame *Alice* or from the time that she shall receive any

dower of any of the said premises the said feoffees shall stand seised of the said premises in Kylborne and Holloway and of the reversions of such parcels thereof as shall then be in lease to the use of the said *Richard Leigh* for his life without impeachment of any waste, and after his decease to the use of the first to the tenth sons of the body of the said *Richard* and of the respective heirs of their respective bodies lawfully begotten; for default, to the use of every such person as at any time hereafter shall be heir male of the said *Richard* of the body of the said *Richard* lawfully to be begotten and of the heirs of the body of every such person; for default, if the said *Richard Leigh* die leaving his wife with child, then to the use of such wife until the said child (if a man child) or children (if men children) be born, and afterwards to the use of such child or children and the heirs of their bodies; for default, to the use of the daughters or other persons who shall be heirs of the said *Richard* and their heirs; for default, and if the said *Richard* leave his wife with child of a woman child, then to the use of his said wife until such woman child shall be born, and afterwards to the use of such child and the heirs of the body of such child; for default of such child and of any such heir, to the use of the said *Thomas Leigh* son of the said Sir *Thomas* for the term of his life; after his decease, then successively in tail male to the use of his 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th sons, with further remainders as above; for default, to the use of the said *William Leigh* for term of his life; and after his decease to the use successively in tail of his 1st to his 4th sons, with remainders as above; for default, to the use of *Rowland Leigh* son and heir apparent of the said Sir *Thomas* for term of his life without impeachment of waste; after his decease to the use successively in tail male of his 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th sons, with remainders as above; for default, to the use of all the daughters of the said Sir *Thomas* and of the heirs of their bodies lawfully begotten; and lastly for default, to the use of *Edward Leigh* of Shawell in co. Leicester, esq., cousin of the said Sir *Thomas* and of his heirs for ever.

Immediately after the death or marriage of the same Dame *Alice* the said feoffees shall stand seised of the said site of the said late monastery of Stoneley and of all other the premises in Stoneley, the manor of Stareton, the premises purchased of *Samuel Marowe*, the advowson of the parish Church of Ashoe and other the premises in Stareton and Ashoe to the use of the said *Thomas Leigh* the son for his life, with remainder successively in tail male to his 1st to his 10th son, with other remainders as above; for default, to the use of the said *William Leigh*, with remainders as above; for default, to the use of the said *Rowland Leigh* for his life, with remainders as above; for default, to the use of all

the daughters of the said Sir *Thomas* and of the heirs of their bodies lawfully begotten, for default, to the use of the said *Edward Leigh*, and of the right heirs of the same . . . for ever.

And after the death or marriage of the said Dame *Alice* the same feoffees shall stand seised of the said manors of Newnham *alias* King's Newnham, Church Waner *alias* Church Over and Church Lauford, the tithes of the said manor of Newnham, the advowsons of the parish Churches of Lawford and Church Waner, and all other the premises in Newnham, Church Waner, Lawford, Wolston and Newton, the manor of Swinforde the tithes of the said manor, the advowson of the vicarage of the parish Church of Swinford and all other the premises in Swinford—to the use of the said *William Leigh* for his life, with remainders as above; for default of such heirs, to the use of the said *Thomas Leigh* the son for term of his life, with remainders as above; for default, to the use of the said *Rowland Leigh* for term of his life; for default, to the use of all the daughters of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and of the heirs of their bodies; and lastly for default, to the use of the said *Edward Leigh* and his right heirs for ever.

In like manner the said feoffees shall stand seised of the said great messuage and house in the old Jury now in the occupation of the said *Thomas Conye* and of the tenement thereto adjoining to the use of *Alice Conye* wife of the said *Thomas Conye* and one of the daughters of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and of the heirs of her body; for default, to the use of *Katherine Baber* wife of the said *Edward Baber*, another of the daughters of the said Sir *Thomas* and of *Wenefride Bonde* wife of *George Bond* another of the daughters of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh*, and of *Isabell Leigh* also daughter of the said Sir *Thomas*, and of the heirs of their bodies, for default, to the use of the heirs of the body of the said Sir *Thomas*; and for default, to the use of the said *Edward Leigh* and of his right heirs for ever.

In like manner the said feoffees shall be seised of the said great messuage and house in the Old Jury wherein the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* then dwelt, and the 6 tenements thereto adjoining to the use of the said *Isabell Leigh* and of the heirs of her body; for default, then to the use successively of the said *Alice Conye*, *Katheren Baker*, *Wenefride Bonde*, and the heirs of their bodies, the heirs of the body of the said Sir *Thomas* and the said *Edward Leigh* and his heirs for ever.

Also of the manors of Longeborow, Bledington, Cattelstropp and Malgesbery in co. Glouc. and all other the premises there to the use of the said *Rowland Leigh* for term of his life, for the full 3rd part of all the manors, lands, &c., of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh*, to the intent that the said *Rowland* may out of the rents and profits thereof answer to the

Queen for so much money as shall amount to 1 year's value of the said 3rd part, with remainders to his sons and others as above; for default, to the use of the said *Thomas Leigh* the son for term of his life, with remainders as above; for default, to the use of the said *William Leigh* for term of his life, with remainders as above; for default, to the use of all the daughters of the said *Sir Thomas* and the heirs of their bodies; and for default, to the use of the said *Edward Leigh* and his heirs for ever. Provided always that if the said *Rowland, Richard, Thomas* and *William* shall at any time sell, alienate or exchange any of the said lands so limited to them by these presents, then the uses and estates so made to them shall utterly determine and cease; and provided also that it shall be lawful for the said *Sir Thomas* at any time by his writing by him sealed and subscribed to alter, determine or enlarge any of the said uses and estates herein comprised.

And it is further agreed between the parties hereto that if the said *Sir Thomas* at any time do tender and pay to the "Lorde Maier" of the City of London 20s. for the relief of the poor children of Christ's Hospital in the said City, then the said uses, limitations and provisoes herein limited and appointed shall utterly cease and be void, and the said *Sir Thomas* shall stand seised of all the said lordships, manors, lands, &c., to the use of him the said *Sir Thomas* and his heirs for ever.

In witness whereof, &c.

By pretext of which said indenture and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Sir Thomas Leigh* was seised of all the said premises in his demesne as of free tenement, with remainders as above.

And he being so seised another indenture was made on the 12th day of November, 13 Eliz. [1571] in the said parish of St. Olave between the said *Sir Thomas* of the one part and *Edward Baber*, of Lincoln's Inn in co. Midd., esq., *Thomas Conye*, citizen and mercer of London, and *George Bonde*, citizen and haberdasher of London on the other part, as follows [here given in English]: this indenture witnesses that the said *Sir Thomas* has demised and to farm let to the said *Edward Baber*, *Thomas Connye*, and *George Bonde* all those his lordships and manors of Longeborowe, Mawgesbury, Bledington and Catelstropp and all other his premises in co. Glouc.: to hold from the time of the death of the said *Sir Thomas* for the term of 80 years, they paying therefor yearly £156 12s. 10d. and covenanting to well and sufficiently repair and maintain the said premises as well in "housing as in hedging, ditching and fensing" when need shall require, for the doing whereof the said *Sir Thomas* hereby grants to the said *Edward, Thomas* and *George* that they may have on the premises sufficient "housebote, hedgebote, fyrebote, ploughebote, cartbote, foldebote, heibote and gatebote to be spentt"

upon the premises and not elsewhere ; provided always that if *Rouland Leigh* son and heir apparent of the said Sir *Thomas* die leaving an heir male aged 21 years, or if after the death of the said *Rouland* any heir male of his body come to the said full age, or if the said *Rowland* die leaving no heir male of his body either *in esse* or unborn—then this present lease shall cease and be utterly void.

Long before the death of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* a certain *Roland Hill*, knight, late alderman of the City of London was seised in his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage situate in “le Poultrie” in the ward of Chepe in the said City of London, now in the tenure of *Roger Farthing*, and of 1 other messuage there now in the tenure of *Richard Tailleforde*, and so being thereof seised on the last day of August, 2 Eliz. [1560], he enfeoffed thereof the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and *Alice* his wife: to hold to them and their heirs for ever; by pretext whereof they were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee; and being so seised the said Sir *Thomas* died and the said *Alice* survived him and was and still is thereof seised by right of accruing.

The said Sir *Thomas Leigh* long before his death was seised in his demesne as of fee of the lordships and manors of South Littleton, North Littleton and Middle Littleton in co. Worcester and of 30 messuages, 3 cottages, 1,000 acres of land, 200 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 2 acres of wood, 4 acres of marsh and 3 acres of furze and heath in South, North and Middle Littleton, Elmelode and Hethend in the said county; 2 messuages, 4 cottages, 24 acres of land, 8 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture and 1 acre of wood in Hogston in co. Middx; and 20 acres of pasture called the Spittell fieldes in Ilington in the said county, and so seised an indenture was made on the 4th day of January, 11 Eliz. [1569], in the said parish of St. Olave, between the said Sir *Thomas* of the one part, and *Robert Christopher* of the said City, gent., and *Thomas Dunton* of Stoneley in co. Warwick, yeoman, of the other part, as follows: [here given in English], this indenture witnesses that the said Sir *Thomas* in consideration of the marriage between him and Dame *Alice* his wife, and for the better maintenance of the said *Alice* if she should survive him, and to the end that she should be the better able to help and comfort their children, and upon special trust that she will assure the inheritance of the said manors, lands, &c., to some of their children and to such of his kinstolk as he shall appoint—covenants that he will be seised of the lordships and manors of South Littleton, North Littleton and Middle Littleton and of all other his lands, &c., in co. Worcester; his capital messuage and chief mansion house in Hogeston in co. Middx, now in his own tenure, and all the houses, barns, yards, &c., to the said capital messuage belonging; 1 garden, 1 orchard and 1 little close called

the Pingle in Hogeston thereto also belonging ; the messuage and farm house in Hogeston wherein *Thomas Castor*, deceased, lately dwelt, now in the occupation of *Richard Comforte*, and all the houses, gardens, &c., thereto belonging ; and 2 closes of ground commonly called the Spittell fieldes lying in the parish of Yslington in co. Middx, late in the tenure of the said *Thomas Caster*, to the use of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and Dame *Alice* his wife and their heirs for ever ; provided always that if the said Sir *Thomas* should make any demise, lease or grant of the said premises to any persons for term of life, lives or years, then the said Sir *Thomas* shall stand seised of such of the premises whereof any such demise or lease shall be made to the use of the same persons to whom such grants or leases shall be made, with other provisoes as above. By pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said Sir *Thomas* and Dame *Alice* were seised of the said manors, lands, &c., in their demesne as of fee ; and being so seised the said Sir *Thomas* died and the said Dame *Alice* survived him and is still thereof seised by right of accruing.

The said Sir *Thomas* was likewise seised in his demesne as of fee of the lordship and manor of *Lekewotton alias Crossegrange* in co. Warwick, and the messuage and grange of *Lekewotton*, formerly parcel of the possessions of the late monastery of *Kenylworthe alias Killingworthe* in the said county ; and all the tithes of grain and hay yearly growing in the towns and fields of *Lekewotton*, *Hillwotten* and *Woodecote* in the said county ; the advowson and right of patronage of the vicarage of *Lekewotton* ; 20 acres of pasture and 20 acres of wood called *Thickethorne* in *Ashoe* and *Killingworthe* in the said county ; 2 acres of pasture and 2 acres of wood called *Grenegrove* in *Lekewotten* in the said county ; 6 messuages, 100 acres of land, 100 acres of meadow, 100 acres of pasture, 2 acres of wood and 100 acres of furze and heath in *Rookebie* and *Thurlaston* in the said county, late parcel of the possessions of the late monastery of *Pipwell* in co. Northampton ; all the tithes of grain and hay yearly renewing in *Thurlaston* ; 1 manor in *Dunchurch* and *Thurlaston* in the said county, late parcel of the possessions of the said late monastery of *Pipwell* ; 1 windmill in *Dunchurch*, and 30 messuages, 6 cottages, 500 acres of land, 100 acres of meadow, 100 acres of pasture, 5 acres of wood, and 40 acres of furze and heath there ; 1 messuage and 1 virgate of land and meadow in *Tofte* within the parish of *Dunchurch*, late in the tenure of *James Warde* and purchased by the said Sir *Thomas* from the said *James Warde* ; 1 other messuage and 1 virgate of land in *Thurlaston*, now or late in the occupation of *William Montgomerie* and lately purchased by the said Sir *Thomas* of the said *James Warde* ; and 1 messuage and 1 cottage in the vill and fields of *Dunchurch* late in the

tenure of *Edward Corbett* and *Thomas Kennall* and purchased by the said Sir *Thomas* of *Thomas Tyrrie*, yeoman.

The said Sir *Thomas* and Dame *Alice* were seised of another manor in Dunchurch, formerly parcel of the possessions of — *Fytzgarrett*, viz., to them and the heirs of the said Sir *Thomas*.

They being so seised, an indenture was made 4 May, 11 Eliz. [1569], between the said Sir *Thomas* of the one part and *William Garrott*, knight, late alderman of the said City of London, and *Robert Tyrwhite*, knight, of the other part as follows [here given in English]: this indenture witnesses that the said Sir *Thomas* in consideration of his said marriage and upon special trust that the said Dame *Alice* will assure part of the manors, lands, &c., herein expressed to such of their children as he shall appoint and the residue to the foundation and maintenance of an almshouse in such form as the said Sir *Thomas* in his lifetime or by his last will shall limit, covenants that he will be seised of all the premises last above recited to the use of himself, Dame *Alice* his wife and their heirs for ever, with provisoes as above. By pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said Sir *Thomas* and Dame *Alice* were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee, and after the death of the said Sir *Thomas*, who died thereof seised, the said Dame *Alice* was and still is thereof seised.

Long before the death of the said Sir *Thomas* the Master, wardens and commonalty of the mystery of "lez Clothe" workers of the said City of London by deed dated in the parish of St. Dunstan in the east in the ward of the Tower on the last day of June, 27 Hen. VIII [1535], granted to *Rouland Hill*, knight, and *Alice* his wife a certain yearly rent of 20s. to be taken out of all their manors, lands and tenements within the said City or the kingdom of England; to hold to them and the heirs of the said *Alice* for ever, with power of distress in default of payment; by pretext whereof the said *Rouland Hill* and *Alice* were seized of the said yearly rent.

And they being so thereof seised by deed dated 4 July, 34 Hen. VIII [1542], granted the same to *Edward*, *Ralph* and *James Barker* and their heirs for ever to the use of the said *Rouland Hill* and *Alice* his wife, and after their decease, to the use of the said *Thomas Leigh*, knight, and *Alice* his wife, by the names of *Thomas Leigh*, mercer, and *Alice* his wife; after their decease, to the use of *Mary Leigh*, now the wife of *Michael Cobbe*, gent., daughter of the said Sir *Thomas* and *Alice*, and the heirs of her body; for default, to the use of *Alice Leigh* now the wife of *Thomas Connye*, citizen and mercer of London, daughter of the said Sir *Thomas* and *Alice*, and the heirs of her body; and for default, to the use of *Katherine Leigh*, now the wife of *Edward Baber*, daughter of the said Sir *Thomas*

and *Alice*, and her heirs for ever. Whereupon the said Master, wardens and commonalty being tenants of their said manors, messuages and lands as of free tenement agreed with the said grant of the said *Rowland Hill* and *Alice* and attorned themselves, by pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Rowland* and *Alice* were seised of the said yearly rent of 20s. in their demesne as of free tenement for the term of their lives, with remainders as above. And after the decease of the said *Rouland* and *Alice* the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and *Alice* his wife were seised of the said yearly rent, and the said Sir *Thomas* died thereof seised, and the said *Alice* survived him and is still thereof seised for her life.

Long before the death of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* Queen *Elizabeth* by Letters Patent dated at Westminster, 26 January, in the 4th year of her reign [1562] of her special grace granted to the said Sir *Thomas* and *Alice* his wife a yearly rent of 14s., to be paid yearly for the grange of Stoneley and other hereditaments specified in the said Letters Patent, and the yearly rent of 43s. 4d. yearly to be paid for the site of the said late monastery of Stoneley and other hereditaments therein specified, and a yearly rent of 51s. 10d. and the service issuing out of certain mills and other hereditaments therein specified, and all those manors of Stoneley and Ashoe in co. Warwick to the said late monastery formerly belonging, and all that parcel of land in Stoneley called "le Ile de Wighte," lying there under lez Eachells parcel of the manor of Stoneley; also a pond [*stagnum*] with the fishery therein, and the fishery in same pond next Gatellbridge within the lordship of Stoneley, also the pond called Cryfelddamme in Stoneley, to the said late monastery belonging, then in the several tenures of *Humphrey Reynoldes* and *Richard Androwes*, those 2 cottages now in ruins lying together in Stoneley near the garden of the said *Richard Androwes* there, and all the orchard to the said cottages belonging, now or late in the tenure of the said *Humphrey Reynoldes* and *Richard Androwes*, all that plot called Grene poole waste, the plot called Daylemore, and all the lands, tenements, meadows, &c., called Grene poole waste and Daylemore, or with the same heretofore demised or occupied, situate in the vills, fields and hamlets of Kingeshill and Stonely, now or late in the tenures of *Richard Hill* and *John Hill*, to the said late monastery of Stoneley formerly belonging, all that water and water course of Aven and Ashoe in co. Warwick, then or late in the tenure of *John Power*, to the said late monastery formerly belonging, also all those lands, meadows, feedings, &c., called Cookes ground, Blackewalls close, Mounkes and Stridinges and all other the lands in Ashoe then or late in the tenure of . . . to the said late monastery belonging, the rectory of Stoneley with all its

rights, members and appurtenances to the said late monastery sometime appertaining, and all the tithes of corn, sheaves, grain and hay and other tithes whatsoever, and all houses, barns, stables, dovecotes, lands, woods, &c., in Stoneley or elsewhere in co. Warwick to the said rectory belonging; also all the messuages, lands, &c., in Stoneley and Ashoe, then or late in the tenure of *Humphrey* . . . to the late monastery of Kenilworth sometime belonging, and all the messuages, granges, mills, houses, barns, stables, dovecotes, lands, fisheries, woods, waters, &c., by the said Letters Patent granted, also courts leet, views of frankpledge, assize of bread, wine and ale, goods and chattels waived, estrays, goods and chattels of felons, &c., farms, fee-farms and annuities, knights fees, wards, marriages, &c., &c., in Stoneley, Kingshill and Ashoe, as fully and wholly as any abbots or priors of the said late monastery had, held and enjoyed the same, and as fully as the same came to the hands of the Crown, of pretext of dissolution or otherwise; also all woods, underwoods and trees growing upon the premises and all the land, ground and soil of the said woods and trees, and the reversion of all the premises, also all the rents and yearly profits reserved upon any demises of the premises, except nevertheless and always reserved to the said Queen and her heirs all the bells and lead being upon the premises, except lead gutters and the lead in the windows, and also except the advowsons of the rectories or vicarages [?] belonging to the premises: To hold, except as before excepted, to the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and *Alice* his wife and their heirs for ever, to hold the said lordship and manor of Stoneley of the Queen and her heirs in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and all other the premises of the Queen and her heirs as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free and common socage and not in chief: by pretext of which said Letters Patent the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* were seised of the said premises in their demesne as of fee; and so seised, the said Sir *Thomas* died and the said *Alice* survived him and is still thereof seised.

Long before the death of the said Sir *Thomas Leigh*, *Thomas Wightman* and *Elizabeth* his wife were seised in their demesne as of fee of the manors of Lawford, Newbold and Collesford in co. Warwick, and of 10 messuages, 6 barns, 1 windmill, 10 orchards, 10 gardens, 200 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 10 acres of pasture, 100 acres of furze and heath and 5s. rent in Lauford *alias* Churchelauford, Lauford Longa, Collesford and Newbold; and so seised, they on the 10th day of February, 4 Eliz. enfeoffed thereof the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and *Alice* his wife: To hold to them and their heirs for ever: by pretext whereof the said Sir *Thomas* and *Alice* were thereof seised and the said Sir *Thomas* having died the said *Alice* is still thereof seised.

Before the death of the said *Sir Thomas, William Humberston*, gent., was seised in his demesne as of fee of the manor of Flechampstead in co. Warwick, and of 7 messuages, 2 watermills, 200 acres of land, 100 acres of meadow, 500 acres of pasture, 400 acres of wood and 20s. rent in Flechampstead and Stoneley, and of the chapel of Flechampstead, and so seised, on the 27th day of October, 6 Eliz., enfeofed thereof the said *Sir Thomas Leigh* and *Alice* his wife: To hold to them and their heirs for ever, by pretext whereof the said *Sir Thomas* and *Alice* were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee, and after the death of the said *Sir Thomas* the said *Alice* was and still is thereof seised.

And long before the death of the said *Sir Thomas Leigh* a certain *Anthony Throckemerton*, citizen and mercer of London, was seised in his demesne as of fee of all the grange of Mylborne in co. Warwick and of 1 water mill, 1 messuage, 200 acres of land, . . . acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 40 acres of wood, 100 acres of furse and heath, 60 acres of moor and common of pasture for 360 sheep in Stoneley heath in Stoneley and Mylborne; and so seised, by deed dated at London in the said parish of St. Olave, 21 May, 7 Eliz. [1565] for the sum of £550 to him in hand paid by the said *Sir Thomas Leigh* sold all the said premises to the said *Sir Thomas* and *Alice* his wife: to hold to them and their heirs for ever, by pretext whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses the said *Sir Thomas* and *Alice* were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee, and after the death of the said *Sir Thomas* the said *Alice* was solely seised thereof.

A certain *Humphrey Shelton*, gent., and *Edmund Hunte* were long before the death of the said *Sir Thomas* seised to them and the heirs of the said *Humphrey* of 8 messuages, 2 cottages, 200 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, 6 acres of wood, 10 acres of moor, 10 acres of furze and heath and £ and 19d. of rent in Canley, Hurste, Westwoode and Cryfeld in the parish of Stoneley; and so seised, by deed dated 7 August, 5 Eliz. [1563], for a certain sum of money to them in hand paid by the said *Sir Thomas Leigh*, granted all the said premises to him and to *Alice* his wife: to hold to them and their heirs for ever: to which said grant those tenants of the lands and tenements out of which those rents issued attorned themselves and agreed therewith: by virtue whereof the said *Sir Thomas* and *Alice* were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee, and after the death of the said *Sir Thomas* the said *Alice* was and still is thereof seised.

The jurors say also that long before the death of the said *Sir Thomas, Roger Knolles*, gent., and *Richard Knolles* his son and heir apparent were seised to them and the heirs of the said *Richard* of 2 messuages, 2 gardens, 2 orchards, . . . acres of land, 20 acres of pasture, 3 acres of

wood and 20 acres of furze and heath in Dunchurche, Tofte and Thurlaston in co. Warwick late in the several tenures of *Edmund Carter*, husbandman, and *John Barnacle*; and so seised, by deed dated 17 July, 12 Eliz. [1570], for £100 to them in hand paid, bargained and sold the same to the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and *Alice* his wife and their heirs for ever, by pretext whereof they were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee.

Roger Barker, Clerk, and *Richard Holland* were seised in their demesne as of fee, long before the death of the said Sir *Thomas* of 4 messuages, 1 windmill, 1 water and fulling mill, 600 acres of land, 50 acres of meadow, and 300 acres of pasture in Stoneley late of *Robert Carter*; and so seised, enfeofed thereof the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and *Alice*: to hold to them and their heirs for ever who by pretext thereof were thereof seised in their demesne as of fee.

The capital messuage late in the proper tenure of the said Sir *Thomas*, situate in Old Jewry in the said ward of Colmanstrete, the 2 messuages now or late in the occupation of the said *Rowland Leigh*, 2 messuages now or late in the tenure of *Mark Grymme* and the 2 messuages in the tenure of *Thomas Nicolls* are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £19. The capital messuage now or late in the tenure of *Thomas Connye*, and the messuage thereto adjoining are held in free burgage of the City of London and are worth per ann., clear, £10. Of whom the messuage and land in Kilborne are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £7. Of whom or by what service the premises in Hollowey are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £5. The capital messuage in Stoneley called Stoneley Hall or Abbey, the messuage called Holme grange, the water grain mill lying near Stoneley Hall, the water fulling mill in Stoneley in the tenure of *Richard Worseley*, the water fulling mill there in the tenure of *James Howe*, the water and fulling mill there in the occupation of *Alexander Howe* and *Edward Aston*, the tenement there lately purchased of *William Candishe*, esq., and the tenements there lately purchased of the said *Richard Bartye*, esq., and the Lady *Katherine* Duchess of *Suffolk* his wife are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £34 16s. 8d. The manor of Stareton and the tenements there, purchased of *Samuel Marowe*, esq., are worth per ann., clear, £8, but of whom they are held is not known. The advowson of the parish Church of Asho and the tenements there purchased of *Thomas Parker* late rector there are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 21s. 4d. The manor of Newnham *alias* Newnham Regis and other the premises there

are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, £38 18s. 3d. Of whom or by what service the manors of Church Lauford, Church Over *alias* Church Waver and Swynford and other the premises there and in Wolston are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £57 12s. 9d. The manor of Longeborowe and other the premises there are held of the Queen in chief . . . and are worth per ann., clear, £14 12s. 10d. The lordships and manors of Bledington, Cattilstropp *alias* Addestropp and Maugesbery and other the premises there are worth per ann., clear, . . . , but of whom they are held the jurors do not know. The lordships and manors of Southlitleton, Northelitleton, and Middle Litleton are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service and are worth per ann., clear, £42 12s. 8d. Of whom the tenements in Hogeston and the tenement called the Spittell Feildes in Islington are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £23 6s. 8d. Of whom the lordship and manor of Leke-wotton *alias* Crossegrange, the tithes and other the premises in Leke-wotton Hill, Wotton and Woodecote, the advowson of the vicarage of Lekewotton and the tenements called Thicthorne and Grenegrove is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £16 14s. 10d. Of whom or by what service the manor of Dunchurch and other the premises in Rugbie, Thurlaston, and Dunchurch are held the jurors know not: they are worth per ann., clear, £30 13s. 6½d. Of whom the rent charge of 20s. is held the jurors do not know: it is worth per ann., clear, 20s. The manors of Stoneley and Ashoe and other the premises granted by the said Letters Patent are held of the Queen in the manner and form therein specified, and are worth per ann., clear, . . .¹ Of whom the manors of Lauford, Newbolde and Colleford and other the premises there are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £8 0s. 8d. The manor of Flechhampsteed and other the premises there and in Stoneley lately purchased by the said Sir *Thomas Leigh* and *Alice* his wife of the said *William Humberstone* are held of the Queen . . . by knight's service and are worth per ann., clear, £7. Of whom the grange of Milborne and other the premises in Stoneley and Mylborne lately purchased of the said *Anthony Thockemerton* are held is not known: they are worth per ann., clear, £15. The premises in Cunley, Hurste, Westwoode and Cryfeld are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free socage and not in chief and are worth per ann., clear, £17 15s. 7d. Of whom the . . . are held is not known; they are worth per ann., clear, £15.

Sir *Thomas Leigh* died 17 November, 14 Eliz. [1571], *Rouland Leigh*

¹ Torn away.

is his son and next heir, and was aged 31 years on the 6th day of March now last past.

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Elizabeth Allen, widow, lunatic.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 23 November, 31 Eliz. [1588], before *William Necton*, gent., feodary of the said City and *Thomas Stampe*, gent., by virtue of a writ to enquire as to the lunacy of *Elizabeth Allen*, widow, late the wife of *Christopher Allen*, deceased, to them and to *Rowland Heyward*, knight, *Francis Stonard*, esq., *Francis Plowden*, esq., *James Lea*, gent., and *James Smyth*, gent., directed, by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *Thomas Russell*, *Roger Holle*, *William Harvy*, *John Bonde*, *John Stevens*, *William Crowche*, *William Povey*, *George Robartes*, *Thomas Wigges*, *Hugh Ingram*, *James Robynson*, *John Dixon*, and *Robert Saunders*, who say that

Elizabeth Allen is a lunatic and is kept under restraint, and is not *compos mentis*, but she enjoys lucid intervals, so that she is not competent to govern herself on her lands, tenements, goods or chattels. She became a lunatic by the visitation of God: while she was in that condition she did not alienate any lands or tenements, goods or chattels: she is seised of 1 messuage in Brickenden Bury in co. Hertford and divers lands and tenements thereto belonging which are worth per ann., clear, £5, which the said *Elizabeth* holds for her jointure for the term of her life by the death of the said *Christopher Allen*, late her husband, but of whom they are held the jurors know not.

William Coyes is the brother and next heir of the said *Elizabeth Allen* and is now aged 22 years and more.

Chan. Inq. p. m., ser. 2, vol. 222, No. 35.

Matthew Pary or Pery, gentleman.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 8 May, 32 Eliz. [1590], before *John Harte*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Matthew Pary*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Dickinson*, *Thomas Sewell*, *William Harvy*, *John Jackson*, *James Robinson*, *William Crouche*, *Edward Pillesworth*, *John Adlin*, *Hugh Ingram*, *Robert . . .*, *Nicholas Maddox*, *Thomas Wigges* and *Arthur Wright*, who say that

Matthew Pary long before and at the time of his death was seised in

his demesne as of fee of 1 messuage or inn called the Beare late in the tenure of *Edward Whitwell*, citizen, and . . . of London, and now in that of *William Ireland*, situate in the street of West Smithfield within the City of London within the parish of St. Sepulchre, formerly belonging to the late monastery of St. Bartholomew in West Smithfield now dissolved; 1 other messuage and tenement with 1 garden thereto adjoining formerly in the tenure of *John Shankes* and afterwards in that of *John Buggins* and *Henry Licheffeilde*, situate in a certain lane called Charter House lane in co. Middlesex, within the said parish of St. Sepulchre formerly belonging to the late priory of the Carthusians near London, with all that aqueduct and water course running from the large aqueduct commonly called the great "Conditt" at the Charterhouse aforesaid up to the said messuage in the said lane, and with all the lead pipe by which the water runs and is brought from the said large aqueduct up to the said messuage, together with liberty from time to time of overturning and doing all things and amending and new making the said pipe 1 other messuage with a garden late in the tenure of *William* . . . lying in the said lane called Charterhouse lane; 1 other messuage with a garden being in the said parish and lane, formerly in the tenure of *Richard Warner* and late in that of *William Beamonde*; 1 other messuage with a garden situate in the said lane and parish late in the tenure of *Thomas Launder*; 1 other messuage and garden there late in the tenure of *Robert Bowser*, 1 other messuage and garden there formerly in the tenure of *John Johnson* and late in that of *Richard Palmer*; 2 messuages there sometime in the tenure of *Robert Benson* and *William Taylor* and *Agnes* his wife and late in that of *John* [?] *Bennet* and *William Cele*; 1 tenement and garden there formerly in the tenure of *William Hornby* and late in that of *Robert Benson*; 1 garden formerly in the tenure of *Henry Clerke* and late in that of *John Shepheard*, lying in a certain street called St. John Street, in the parish aforesaid in co. Middlesex; 1 other messuage and garden late in the tenure of *William Tompson* lying in Charterhouse lane aforesaid sometime belonging to the late house of the Carthusians; 4 rooms and tenements which are now divided into 4 rooms and tenements [*sic*] late in the tenure of *Katherine White*, *John Repton*, *Joan Taylor*, widow, and *Margaret Penny* situate in Charterhouse lane in co. Middlesex to the said House of the Carthusians formerly belonging; 1 yearly rent of 13s. 4d. issuing out of a certain messuage or inn called the Bell in West Smithfield, London, sometime in the tenure of *Henry Ward* and *Agnes* his wife, late parcel of the possessions of the said late house of the Carthusians; 1 other yearly rent of 6s. issuing out of a certain messuage called the Fermes house in the said parish of St. Sepulchre, some-

time in the tenure of *William Bedelle*, and lately belonging to the said late priory of St. Bartholomew.

The said *Matthew Perye* was also seised on the day that he died of 2 messuages lying separate in the said Charterhouse lane late in the tenure of *Richard Warner* and *Robert Pery* brother of the said *Matthew Perye*; 3 tenements formerly 1 tenement with 1 piece of arable land lying together in Highecrosse in the parish of Standon in co. Hertford now or late in the tenure of *John Kynge*.

The messuage or inn called the Beare and the 9 messuages and gardens in Charterhouse lane and the garden in the tenure of *Henry Clerke* are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, viz., by the 40th part of 1 knight's fee, and are worth per ann., clear, £17 6s. 8d. The messuage and garden late in the tenure of *William Tompson* lying in the said lane and the said 4 rooms there are held of the Queen as of her manor of East Greenwich in co. Kent by fealty only in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, 33s. 4d. The 2 tenements lying in the said lane in the several tenures of *Richard Warner* and *Robert Perye* are held of the Queen in chief by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors do not know: they are worth per ann., clear, 40s. The messuage and land in Stonden in co. Hertford are held of — *Wall*, widow, by fealty and the rent of 1d. and are worth per ann., clear, 46s. 8d.

Matthew Pery died 6 July, 31 Eliz. [1589], *Richard Pery* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 25 years and more.

Anne Pery relict of the said *Matthew* still survives and is dowered with a third part of all the said premises.

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Henry Robynson, Citizen and Cook.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 27 September, 25 Eliz. [1583], before *Thomas Blanke*, knight, Mayor and escheator by virtue of his Office, after the death of *Henry Robynson*, citizen and cook of London, by the oath of *Robert Dickonson*, *Richard Smithe*, *Roger Hole*, *Thomas Russell*, *John Irelande*, *John Jackson*, *Edmund Owen*, *George Gynne*, *William Poye*, *Henry Webbe*, *George Robertes*, *John Oldam*, *William Feake*, *Robert Peacock*, *John Bonde*, *John Richardes* and *Nicholas Hawksforde*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Henry Robynson* a certain *John*

Berden, citizen and poulterer of London, was seised in his demesne as of fee of those 2 tenements commonly called The Cardinalls Hatt with all the houses, buildings, gardens and easements thereto belonging, lying in the street called Gracious streate in the parish of All Saints Grace-churche, London: of which said tenements 1 was late in the tenure of the said *John Berden* and *Agnes* his wife, but the other thereto adjoining was late in the tenure of *Richard Bilbroke* and is now in that of *Richard Tompson*, cook.

And the said *John* being so seised, by the writing of the said *John* and *Agnes*, dated 29 May 18 Eliz. [1576], and acknowledged before *Rowland Hayward*, knight, alderman of the City of London, and *William Fleetewoode*, esq., recorder of the said City, the said *Agnes*, being by them examined by herself according to the custom of the said City, and enrolled in the Hustings of the pleas of land held in the Guildhall of London on Monday in the feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Mary the Virgin, 18 Eliz. [1576], for a competent and reasonable sum of money paid to the said *John Berden* by the said *Henry Robynson* and by *Richard Tompson* and *Robert Grey*, citizens and cooks of London, gave the said premises to the said *Henry Robynson*, *Richard Thompson* and *Robert Grey* and to the heirs of the said *Henry* for ever; by virtue whereof they entered into the said premises and were thereof jointly seised, viz. the said *Henry Robynson* in his demesne as of fee and the said *Richard* and *Robert* in their demesne as of free tenement.

So seised, the said *Henry Robynson* made his will on the 2nd day of January, 1577, and thereby bequeathed as follows: I give to the said [*sic*] *Alice Tompson* for her natural life my tenement lying in Gracechurch street in the parish of All Saints in Lombard street called the "Cardinall Hatt," now in the occupation of *John Berden* "pulter," and the tenement thereto next adjoining now in my occupation with all the shops cellars, sollars and chambers thereto belonging; and after her death I give the same to *William Tompson* son of the said *Richard Tompson*: to hold to him and his heirs for ever.

All the said premises are held of the Queen in free burgage of the said City of London, and are worth per ann., clear, £4.

Henry Robynson died 21 February, 20 Eliz. [1578], but who is his next heir the jurors know not.

The said *Richard Tompson* and *Robert Grey* survived the said *Henry* and are still alive, and hold themselves therein by right of accruing.

Henry Robinson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 3 September, 27 Eliz. [1585], before *Thomas Pullison*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Henry Robinson*, by the oath of *Robert Dickenson*, *Roger Hole*, *John Jackson*, *William Powy*, *George Robertes*, *John Stodard*, *William Pheke*, *John Bond*, *John Crowche*, *William Cooke*, *William Leyr*, *William Crowche*, *Stephen Porter* and *Peter Noxton*, who say that

Long before the death of the said *Henry Robinson* King Henry VIII by his Letters Patent, sealed with the Great Seal of England, bearing date at Westminster the 23rd day of March in the 36th year of his reign [1545], granted *inter alia* to *Roger Taverner* and *Robert Taverner* all that large tenement or mansion with all the easements situate within the site and precinct of the late house of the Friars Preachers within the City of London, then in the tenure of *John Growte*, and all that garden lying next the water of the Thames within the said site, then in the tenure of *John Foulkes*; and 1 other garden lying within the said site, in the tenure of — *Wigmerpole*; to hold to them and their heirs for ever of the King and his heirs in free socage by fealty only and not in chief for all rents, services, exactions, tenures and demands whatsoever therefore in any way to be paid or done; by virtue whereof the said *Roger* and *Robert Taverner* were seised of all the said premises in their demesne as of fee.

And they, being so thereof seised, by their charter of enfeoffment dated 10 April, 36 Hen. VIII [1545], granted the said large tenement and 2 gardens to *Robert Harris* of London, gent., to hold to him and his heirs for ever, by virtue whereof he was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee.

And he being so seised, by indenture, dated 22 July, 20 Eliz. [1578], bargained and sold to the said *Henry Robinson* named in the writ 2 messuages and 1 shop, then being parcel of the said premises, lying within the said site of the said late house of the Friars Preachers; to hold to him and his heirs for ever, by virtue whereof he was thereof seised in his demesne as of fee.

The said 2 messuages and shop are held of the Queen in free socage by fealty only and not in chief, and are worth per ann., clear, £6.

Henry Robinson died 23 August, 27 Eliz. [1585], in the parish of St. Dunstan in the West in Fletestrete in the suburbs of the City of London; after his death the said premises descended to *John Robinson* his son and heir, who is now aged 1 year, 11 months and 6 days.

Alice Robinson wife of the said *Henry Robinson* took all the profits of

the said premises from the time of the death of the said Henry up to the day of taking this inquisition.

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Thomas Wilson.

Inquisition taken at the Guildhall, 3 September, 27 Eliz [1585], before *Thomas Pullyson*, knight, Mayor and escheator, after the death of *Thomas Wilson*, by the oath of *Robert Dikenson*, *Roger Hoole*, *John Jackson*, *William Poye*, *George Roberts*, *John Stoddard*, *William Pheake*, *John Bond*, *John Crouche*, *William Cooke*, *William Harvie*, *William Lear*, *William Crouche*, *Stephen Porter* and *Peter Noxton*, who say that

Thomas Wilson was seised of 1 messuage called the *Sarasins Heade* and all the shops, gardens, cellers, &c., &c., thereto belonging situate in the lane called *Carter Lane* in the parish of *St. Mary Magdalen* in *Old Fish Street*, *London*, sometime belonging to the *Monastery of Novo Loco alias Newwarke* in co. *Surrey*, now dissolved: the said messuage is held of the *Queen* in chief by knight's service, to wit, by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per ann., clear, £6 13s. 4d.

Thomas Wilson died 9 August, 27 Eliz. [1585]; *Elizabeth Phillipps alias Capper* wife of *Francis Phillipps alias Capper*, merchant of the *Staple* and *Susanna Frye* wife of *John Frye* of *Wolston* in co. *Gloucester*, gent., are his daughters and co-heirs: the said *Elizabeth* was then aged 25 years, 2 months and more; and the said *Susan* 23 years, 1 month and more.

Helen Wilson wife of the said *Thomas Wilson* still survives.

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